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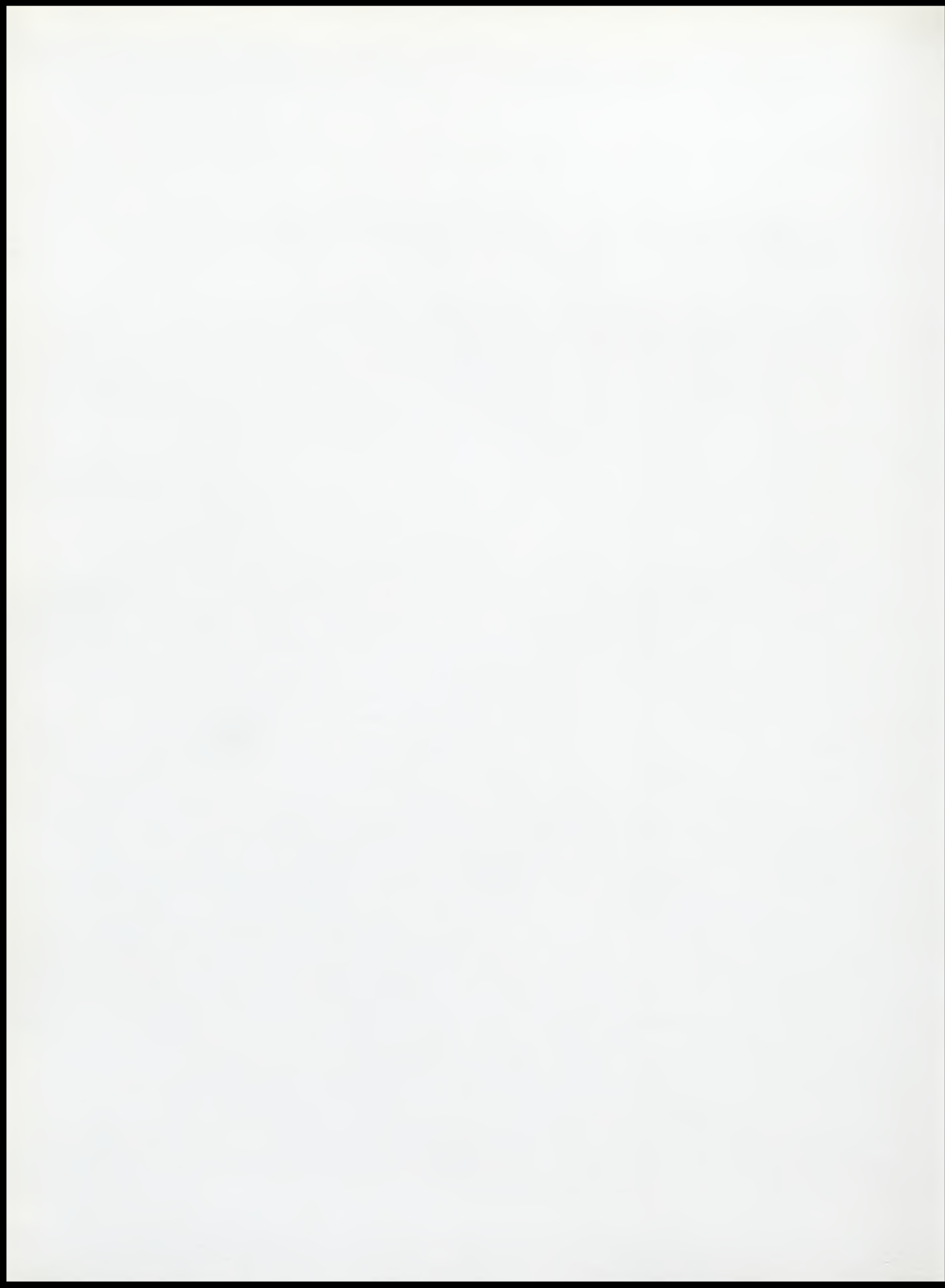
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Sophomores Carri Hansen and Libby Herrmann give us their last words during the Homecoming Club Olympics. Unfortunately we had to censor them.



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Photo by Dan Anderson

In a world with lots of words, only some can stand out and be **brilliant**. To be a chosen word you must have spirit, determination, and a little Mawty Haswick, just as do the **Dragons**. Johnston High School in 1992 can be described in such **words**.

Few words can express the changes occurring in our school and **community**. JHS is on its way to becoming the largest, as well as one of the best-known schools in this **area**. With the passing of the 1994 bond issue, many modifications are on the **way**. Ryan Flynn shared his thoughts on this issue, "It's a shame we have to resort back to Partington's childhood with the installation of outhouses, but anything to conserve **water**." Our administration hopes this will be a progressive move for **Johnston**.

We burst onto the scene this year, thriving in music, athletics, academics, and much more, which isn't surprising considering our students and **staff**. We were encouraged to share our opinions about current issues in various activities, such as colloquial, newspaper, and many **others**.

With a victory over Saydel, our baseball team headed for the state **tournament**. The yearbook class took home a fifth place in the Iowa High School Press Association Fall Yearbook **Contest**. Win-

ning seventh in the State Swim Meet, the JHS girls swim team came back with a **smile**. Blythe

Burkhardt qualified to be a National Merit **semifinalist**.

It has been said that we are a diamond in the **rough**. It's now becoming apparent that we are shining **through**.

Seasons change and time goes on, but JHS in 1992 has left its **mark**. With so many strong leaders at Johnston High School, we will definitely have **THE LAST WORD**.

-Jill Foley & Heidi Zeiger

Opus

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# STUDENT LIFE

Photo by Joanne Stockley

"E... a... g..." senior Jenni Butz concentrates on filling in the letters of the word "eagle" during Homecoming's second annual street painting.







# In So Many WORDS

Just so many words could never account for life at JHS. With every ending comes a beginning, with every tear a smile. Whether students are anxiously awaiting for the coronation of the Homecoming Queen, or the last dance of the senior prom, these memories are unforgettable and almost **indescribable**.

- Kristen De Groat

**SLD**  
Student Life Division



"How far do I have to push this?" asks sophomore Carri Hansen during her event in the Club **Olympics**.

Photo by Kiki Tedesco



# VACATION

Students Suck Sweetness of Summer

Ah, the wonderful signs of summer... the sun on your face, a cool glass of lemonade, your feet splashing in cold water, and the cracking of bones. "My summer vacation SUCKED!" screamed Junior Mark Elliot, "After I broke my leg in a soccer game, everything became boring, even watching the ceiling fan go round, and round, and round and... well, usually that was pretty exciting." Mark's summer was spent sitting around in his Lazyboy and watching T.V. with his friend (Smokey, the family dog). Not everyone was as unfortunate as Mark, however.

"My summer was spent working with elementary to high school level boys, teaching first-aid and working with a registered nurse and first responder team. It was one of the greatest learning experiences of my life," reflected Matt

Tetzloff. Others wanted to study the growth of skin cancer, therefore Salorville beach was often packed, and the majority of the tanning crowd were from JHS.

If your time wasn't spent at the nearest water hole, you were bound to be out of town, and in some cases, out of the country. "Spending a week surrounded by castles and sophomores was an enthralling experience that I'll never forget," said Jason Ranker. Jason was one of several JHS students who toured Europe in August.

Some of us attended different camps throughout the

country. Heidi Johns and Andrea Haag went to a church camp and experienced some new things. "I rode a jet ski for the first time," said Heidi, "and unlike Andrea, I was lucky and didn't wipe-out."

With school on the back burner of our brains, the great summer adventure had just begun, and would seemingly come to too soon of an end.

The summer was one to never forget, and with the char marks on our backs, we probably never will.

-By Heidi Zeiger and Jill Foley



In Lake Satwara, Arizona, Brian Stewart recklessly rides the waves.

Summer Vacation

With a look of determination, Tera Buitenwerf sucks the life out of her melting bomb pop.

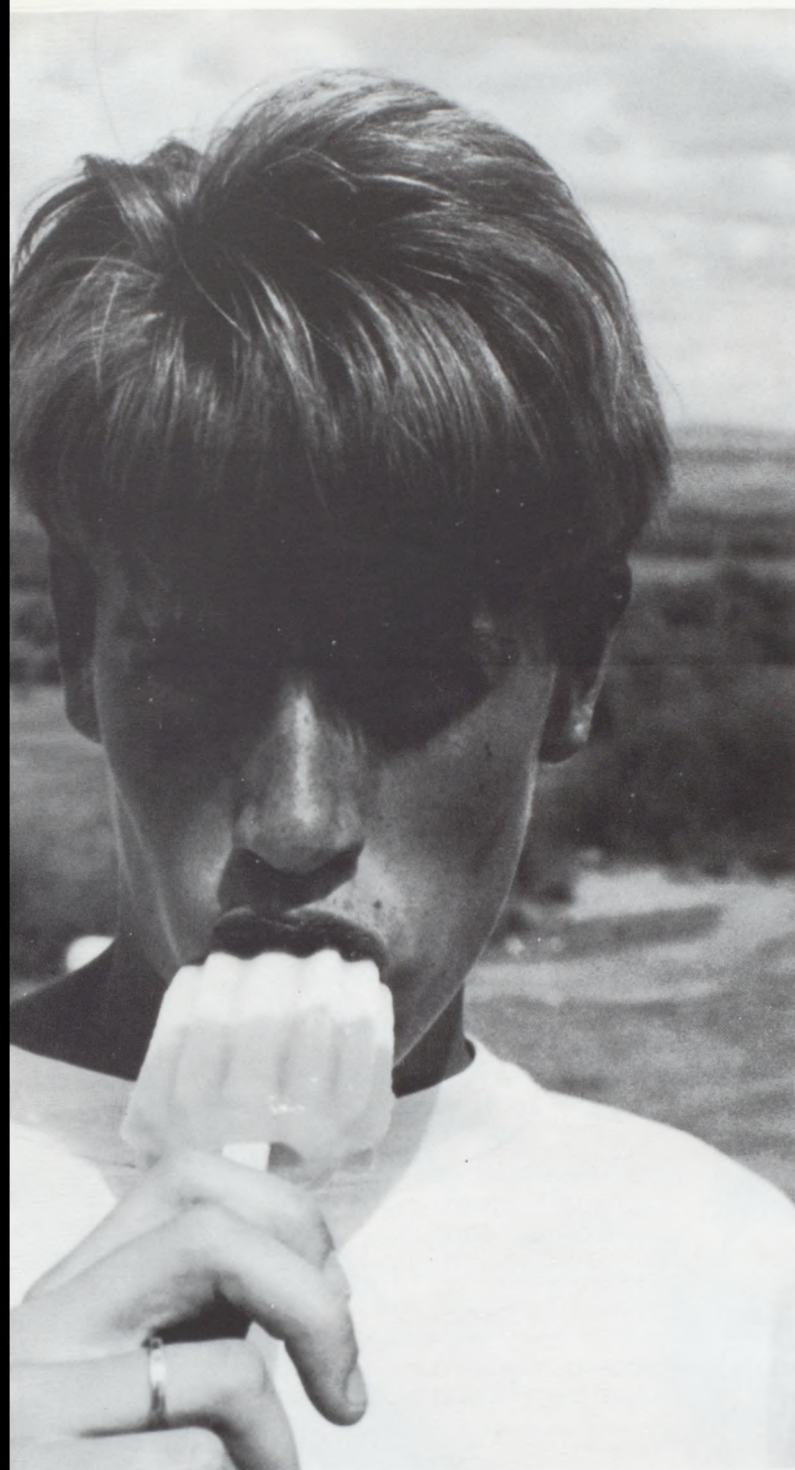


Photo by Heidi Zeiger



Photo by Kiki Thomas

"How many lives have I saved? Oh, I lost track some time ago, but I can show you my tan line."

-Greg Reed



"Before I knew it, I got very dizzy and the sky turned a deep shade of indigo."  
-Jason Ranker on wine testing in Bordeaux, **France**.



Roughriding through the forest, Marc Gregor takes an adventurous approach to his summer in Taylor Park Reservoir, **Colorado**.



Photo by Heidi Zeiger

Aaron Vis spent a week ministering in California and Mexico to underprivileged children who are greatly influenced by gangs and **violence**.



Photo by Carol Voorhees

Senior Cam Christenson, QILQEAS team member, uses his nose during the Whiffle Ball Relay. His team put wax in their hair for identification.



Photo by Heidi Zeiger

"GO!" screams senior Tiffany Zortman at a fellow team member as senior Janie Jeffries laughs at them. The Pipe Brothers came in first place at the Club Olympics.



Photo by Kie Tedesco

Careful, careful, don't make a mistake! Senior Linda Kinney concentrates on painting the street in front of the high school.

*"This Disco Day was a day to be respected. Disco breaks the boundaries. It takes away the multitude of cultural differences and makes them similarities. With disco, we can all peacefully coexist in one groovy nation."*

-Jason Pace '93



Photo by Kie Tedesco



Photo by Joanna Oakley



# COMPETITION

Sucks in Student Body

Homecoming week has always meant a lot of Class of the Year Points. Students were sucked into working hard to prove their Dragon Spirit was the best.

The contests began Monday with Hat Day. On Tuesday, seniors wore their favorite sheets while the rest of the student body went back to the 70's with polyester. Dress-up day, Wednesday, allowed students to show off their Sunday bests. On Thursday, students strutted the halls with clothing on backwards. The freshmen placed first in this contest.

The class halls provided the next spirit competition. The seniors placed first, the juniors second, and the freshmen third. Although the sophomore hallway placed fourth sophomore Elaine Jamagin said, "The freshmen hall was really neat, but I thought our hall was better planned and had more to do with the theme, Gaining Momentum."

Competition continued outside at the parade. Again the seniors prevailed in the float contest.

The final competition of the night was the Club Olympics. While some were competing to win, others were competing to not get caught cheating. Sophomore Heather Zortman said, "We were looking at other people and trying to find ways to cheat, but it didn't work because we got disqualified for almost every event."

The fun didn't end there for the upperclassmen and cheerleaders. T.P.ing began around 11:00 p.m. and didn't stop until about 2:00 a.m.

Although half the student body hadn't slept more than five hours they were still in great spirits for Purple and Gold day. On Friday, everyone was ready to cheer the Dragons onto a victory against **Saydel**.

-Carol Voorhees



Photo by Heidi Zager

Junior Shanna Galloway holds Junior Jami Kennel's nose to keep the flour out in the Missing Jaw Breaker race. Unfortunately their jawbreaker was white and they never found it.

"MMM!" exclaim  
sophomores  
Regina Bess,  
Shannon  
Woodhall, Casey  
Richwine and  
Michelle Shattuck.  
Kool-aid is always  
the most  
exhilarating drink at  
the **games**.

Homecoming



# DIDS'N'SUDS

Decking Out and Soaping Windows to Make Homecoming Sparkle

The students were overcome by curiosity as they scrambled to find a seat on the bleachers of the gymnasium. The overflowing student body had been kept in suspense for two days, until the morning of October 2, when homecoming king and queen were declared.

The tension was high while Sarah Hartle stood behind the king candidates: Justin Allen, Brad Beaman and Jason Rollison. The crowd roared as she crowned Jason. The next few moments must have seemed like an eternity to the queen candidates: Jenny Duckworth, Emily Hicks and Morgan Holcomb. At the height of suspense, Emily was crowned and applause stormed the gym. "I felt like I was in a dream," Emily remarked about being queen.

That afternoon, the cheerleaders and pom squad

members did an outstanding job getting students pumped up for the night's game. They performed dances, including one to Hammer's "Gaining Momentum," our Homecoming '92 theme. There were motivational speakers and skits, including one where some senior players were blindfolded and asked to guess which cheerleader had kissed them. They later found out it was their parent. All of this contributed to our victory over Saydel.

The following night was the dance. Couples and individuals strolled into the gym for the final event of the week. "My favorite part of the dance was when Joe

McClung and Jorgy showed off their musical talents by singing "You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling," said junior Wade Sewell.

Another popular activity was decorating the school. Many students' weeknights were spent tossing an estimated 430 rolls of toilet paper. "The teepee was much more creative this year with the 'for lease' signs and traffic cones. The soap on the windows and the artificial snow was a nice touch," commented sophomore Brad Rippey. According to sophomore Jill Norveil, "It could have been topped only by putting sheep in Marty's office." The decorating job remained throughout the next week, reminding students of one great **Homecoming**.

-Kris Tedesco



Photo by Don Rulien

Juniors Tyson Iles and Nathan Jorgenson go neck and neck during the grapefruit relay. This was one of the many activities at the pep **assembly**.

Caught in the act! Senior Jason Pace scrambles through the school grounds during the annual teepee and soaping of the **windows**.

Homecoming





Photo by Sarah Harle



Photo by Ross Anderson

"I thought the football skits were funny and they really pumped me up for **Homecoming**."

-Ben Carroll '94

Photo by Jennifer Jones



Sophomores Brian Schock and Amy Myer gaze into each other's eyes, as they dance the night **away**.



Photo by Kie Tedesco

**UNDERCLASSMEN ATTENDANTS.** Freshman Megan Bengard, sophomore Teresa White, junior Lissa Smith. ROW 2: Freshman Greg Olsen, sophomore David Rittgers, junior Wade **Sewell**.



Photo by Kim Blum

Members of the court congratulate newly crowned king Jason Rollison. Moments later, Emily Hicks (center) was crowned **queen**.

# Homecoming



## HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT LEGALIZING MARIJUANA?

There is no doubt about it. Marijuana should remain illegal. Pot is not only addicting but it is deadly. This drug harms the user and it doesn't stop there. Families can be devastated and the innocent can also become involved. Is it really fair for an unborn child to be hooked on pot before they even begin their own life outside the womb? There is no reason to make this drug available to **kill**.

-Julie Cottrell '95

The legal drugs in our country are equally as dangerous as the "illicit drug" marijuana. Each day people consume tons of caffeine, nicotine, and alcohol. Alcohol kills the most people, nicotine is the most addictive drug on the market, and caffeine is fairly addictive. Marijuana does no more than these. Therefore, legalization (perhaps with a legal age limit) wouldn't be a **problem**.

-Jason Pace '93

Yes, I feel as though the child, whether in the mother's womb or not, should have the right and the chance to live. When the baby is conceived it is a life, a living being. Therefore, killing or aborting it would be murder. You need to think of what that child may have before him or her in their life. If you don't want a child take the proper precautions, but don't resort to abortion as a way out of your carelessness. Roe vs. Wade should definitely be **overturned**.

-Tim Halling '96

**DO YOU THINK  
ROE VS. WADE  
SHOULD BE  
OVERTURNED?**

No, abortion should be kept legal. I'm not necessarily in favor of abortion and I would only use it as a final possible solution. But I don't think the government has the power to interfere with a woman's right to choose. If abortions were outlawed, illegal and unsafe abortions would happen **anyway**.

-Justin Allen '93

Junior Heidi Zeiger and her friend from Roosevelt High School, Brad Skirnick brought food and clothing to underprivileged kids in **California**.



Photo by JJ Zeiger

## DO YOU FEEL IT IS O.K. TO BE SENDING FOOD TO THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES INSTEAD OF THE UNITED STATES HOMELESS?

No, I don't think it is O.K. I think our country should come first. If we didn't send so much money and aid to other countries we could help the homeless a **lot**.

-Jed Tank '95

I don't see how the so called countries could be a priority in deciding who gets help. The only priority I see who is the most in need. We should erase the boundaries of all the countries, and start seeing all the people of these countries as one nation, one race, the human **race**.

-Josh Doster '93



# FACE-OFFS

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JHS Students Speak Out

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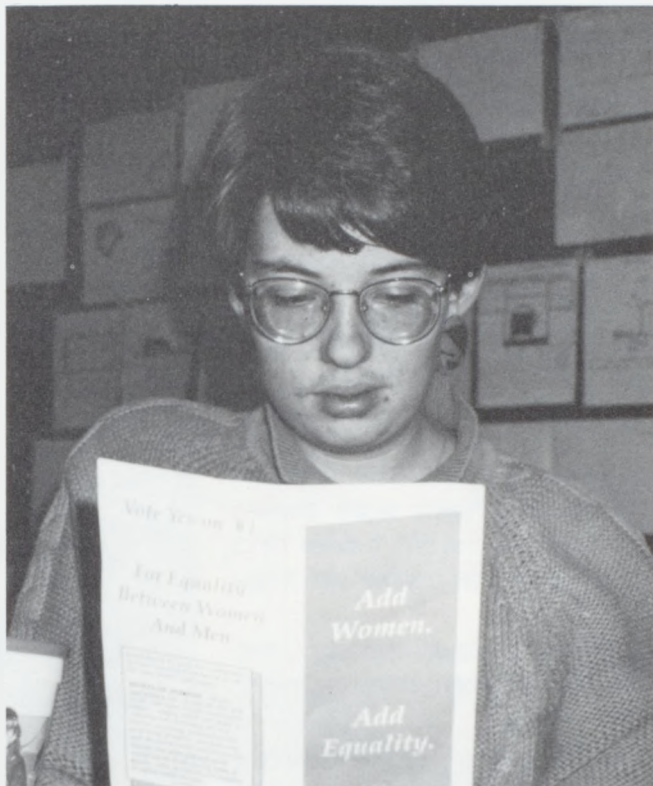


Photo by Carol Voorhees

With the presidential election, it was not an uncommon sight to see JHS students debating over the latest political issues. The yearbook staff selected some of these issues and asked the student body to answer them. The most convincing answers were **chosen**.

-Carol Voorhees

Yes or no? Senior Corby Cavanaugh thinks about her decision on the ERA. The ERA was rejected on November 3 in **Iowa**.

Face10ffs

## HOW WOULD YOU VOTE ON THE ERA?

Race, gender, and sexual orientation have no bearing on an individual's superiority or inferiority. Our constitution should reflect that value. Our constitution should represent the ideal society, one in which everyone is equal. The only real arguments in opposition to the ERA are purely political. Ideas about tax money and abortions, along with homosexual marriage have no relevance to this issue. In this country, true freedom is not possible without equality, and wasn't our nation founded upon **freedom?**

-Jenny Smith '94

I unequivocally support women having equal rights with men, but I do not believe that the ERA is the best way to secure these rights. Women's rights are already guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution, the Iowa Constitution, and federal as well as state laws. Rather than adding a new amendment to the constitution, we need to make sure that the present laws are enforced. A constitutional amendment cannot and will not, in any way, add greater power to the present **laws**.

-Todd Swanson '93



# LEADERSHIP

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## LEADERSHIP

Retreat Slides With Success

Thursday, November 5, buses were loaded as snow flurried about the anxious campers. It was time for the fifth annual Leadership Retreat to begin.

Opening ceremonies were held. Many activities were planned for the 184 JHS campers during this three day event, one of the first being a "getting acquainted" activity.

Campers were then asked a series of questions that provoked discussion and allowed the groups to find out something new about each other.

Dr. Ray Pugh spoke after lunch. He shared Walt Disney's think, believe, dream, and dare philosophy.

Following dinner the traditional telling of the Warm Fuzzie Tale took place with narrator Skeeter Thompson. Campers were shown how to use their warm fuzzies and soon the camp was aglow with happiness.

To wind down the day, the choices of attending a dance or night hike were given.

Friday, Dr. Thomas Evans spoke on teenage sexuality and abstinence. Friday was filled with small

group activities that ranged from the "blind walk" experience for first timers to teenage sexuality debates for second timers. "I think I gained the most out of the small group sharing times because I learned to respect people more and to accept their good and bad qualities," expressed sophomore Bobby Johnson.

The day ended with a display of hysterical skits. "First place goes to Carol Voorhees and Martin Poock with their Jeanette and Jerry impressions!" exclaimed senior Joe Barnard. The candle lighting ceremony was also a special moment that will be remembered by all.

Saturday, pictures were taken, bags of good feelings were exchanged, and "Friends Forever" was sung by all at closing ceremonies. The unexpected "Bang!" of the cannon ended the **weekend**.

-Lissa Smith & Christine Lim Yao



Photo by Shannon Smith

"Ahhhh!" exclaims sophomore Bree Chambers as she quickly reaches the bottom of the slide. This was her first, but certainly not last **trial**.

Leadership  
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Retreat

The big red slide was one way to meet new people. Freshmen Christopher Stafford and Nick Mitchell have made a pile of new **friends**.





Photo by Lisa Smith



Photo by Linda Denny

*"I think the skits were hilarious. The best part was thinking up crazy things to do on stage."*

*-Danny Bright '95  
(Pictured with Libby Felton)*

Photo by Lisa Smith



*"At least I'm not a dorky basketball player!" said junior Dan Flannery to junior Ryan Flynn. The SAIL members show campers how to give a "cold prickley."*



**SAIL** Jeremy Heinen, Mike Mestdagh, Christine Lim Yao, Travis Rosa, Teresa Lane, Mike Remer.  
**ROW 2.** Jason Veeder, Tiffany Zortman, Emily Hicks, Jenni Butz, Joy Phillips, Dani Dook, Lane Sires, Ryan Guttridge, Grady Tibboel. **ROW 3.** Tyson Iles, Jenny Smith, Ussa Smith, Linda Kinney, Libby Felton, Skeeter Thompson, Nicole Buban, Shannon Smith, Jeremy Rinehart, Kim Ruisch, Nathan Jorgenson, Jason Rollison, Joe Barnard.  
**ROW 4.** Scott Kurtz, Greg Reed, Ryan Flynn, Wade Sewell, Dan Flannery, Jaime Johnson, Jami Kennel, Carol Voorhees, Jill Olsen, Andrea Willems, Jason Ranker.



Photo by Lisa Smith

*It's bear hug time. Senior Jeremy Heinen shows his affection for senior Scott Kurtz while rehearsing the "dad cooking dinner" hug.*



After hearing the cheering and complaining about the elections, freshman Aaron Corcoran checks out exactly what **happened**.



## More students, Fewer funds

May of 1992, Johnston graduated 100 seniors. August of 1992, 185 freshmen entered the high school. With the recent budget cuts to the district, the high school wasn't given nearly \$283,560 which was to pay for the added 85 students.

The budget system used was called Advance For Increased Enrollment. Instead of receiving state aid for new students who entered the district that year, the money wouldn't be received until the following year.

According to Superintendent Dr. Richard Sundblad, "This year \$673,872 was not received for the 202 new students grades K-12, because of the Advance For Increased Enrollment."

Since the district didn't receive the much needed state aid, it put a lot of restraints on the staff and students. Teachers had to watch the amount of paper they used for their classes. Also, it wasn't possible to purchase many new textbooks. "One of the major effects the cuts have had is that teachers are buying fewer learning materials for their classes," said High School Principal Tom Downs.

Class sizes became larger due to the inability to hire additional staff. As a result, individual student attention was limited. Assistant principal Marty Harswick said, "The number one effect has been that the size of classes in the math, science and social studies are higher than what we would like to keep them. Fortunately, students and staff have taken that in stride."

-Christine Lim Yao

## Support New Leader

"I accept, tonight, the responsibility you have given to me to be the leader of this, the greatest country in human history." As President-elect Bill Clinton addressed a crowd in his home state of Arkansas, he graciously accepted his election for President.

Clinton and Vice President-elect Al Gore received 43 percent of the national vote, President George Bush and Vice President Dan Quayle 38 percent, and Independent Ross Perot and Admiral James Stockdale 18 percent. The Clinton/Gore ticket also got 349 electoral votes, 79 more than the 270 needed to gain the presidency.

Ross Perot was the first to concede from the race. In his speech he stated, "We must all work together to rebuild our great country."

In his concession speech, Bush asked his supporters to "stand behind our new President." Bush was Vice President for eight years prior to the last four years as President.

As Clinton prepared to lead the country, he commented on the need to, "bring our people together as never before so that our diversity can be a source of strength in a world...where everyone counts and everyone is a part of America's family."

-Joanna Stockey



Photo by Christine Lim Yao

Larger class sizes have forced teachers to move from room to room and even into the portables.



# Unresolved Conflict in Bosnia

They would rise every morning and retire every night with the same purpose and mindset. The Serbians and Muslims in Bosnia were separated by walls of ethnic diversity, and their ideas of who should occupy the land there were the cause of a civil war. But the two were united only in their pursuit to take



Photo by *Minuteman*

In a Tuzla hospital, a wounded Bosnian waits in recovery, a vivid testimony to the pain and suffering occurring **there**.

control of the land they loved.

The "ethnic cleansing" the Serbians were trying to accomplish with the Muslims in Bosnia was often compared to the Holocaust of the Jews during World War II. The war had raged for months, and it became more and more unlikely to find a quick **solution**.

-Kim Ruisch and Heidi Zeiger

# Guilty Verdict in Diner Slayings

Around 6:00 pm on November 29, 1992, a man entered the Drake Diner. Responding to his muffled request, manager Cara McGrane turned to help him. The man held a gun to her face and shot. McGrane, age 25, was killed instantly. Upon hearing the shot, manager Tim Burnett rushed to the front, straight toward the gunman. The man then shot and killed Burnett, age 29.

Six days later 17-year-old suspect Joseph White was taken into custody. Through weeks of testimonies many people, including Diner employees and customers, identified White as the killer.

On May 21, 1993, the jury announced a guilty verdict. White was convicted on two counts of first degree murder and one count of first degree robbery.

Immediately after the verdict was made public, protesting groups formed around the city. Des Moines' Black Ministerial Alliance led a march at the Polk County Courthouse complaining of racism and unfairness in the trial. Plans of an appeal were made, and an uneasy feeling spread across the **city**.

-Heidi Zeiger

# Stand-off in Waco

On April 19, 1993, America watched the end of a 51-day stand-off literally go up in smoke. David Koresh and 86 Branch Davidians were being consumed in the flames.

The feud started February 28, when federal agents stormed the compound outside Waco, Texas. Ranch Apocalypse was thought to be holding illegal firearms.

On March 19, doses of tear gas were pumped in, and smoke was seen rising from the building. Although surviving cult members denied it, federal agents claimed the fire was part of a suicide plan. Nine cultists escaped the flames, but the rest, including Koresh, were presumed **dead**.

-Kim Ruisch



Photo by Heidi Zeiger

The Drake Diner has been the home of great food and 50's decor. But in November of 1992, a tragedy took place that can never be erased from the memories of those **present**.

Along with other Valley team members, senior Todd Johnson defends the goal at the state championship game.

Photo by James Johnson



**HOCKEY.** Todd Johnson, Luc Cisna, Blake Cruikshank.  
**BOYS VOLLEYBALL** Row 2. Justin Reis, Lance Smith, David Ring **BOWLING** Row 3. Shannon Pekinovsky, Joe McClung, Jon Yanders, Ryan Flynn, Nathan Homback.



Photo by Heidi Zaiger

Junior Shannon Pekinovsky bowls a close-to-perfect game at the Coca Cola League Scholarship Match at Plaza Lanes. Out of 28 bowlers, Shannon won first place in the left-handed singles competition.



Photo by Heidi Zaiger

*"Determination and intensity was the key to our success."*

*-Lance Smith '93*



Photo by Heidi Zaiger



# CLUB SPORTS

Students Ignored While Ignoring the Norm

Ignoring the norm of JHS, several student athletes dared to expand Johnston's horizons. Because of their early stage of development, hockey, bowling, and boys' volleyball had very few spectators. They literally had to fist fight for publicity with little support from the school.

"It wasn't really the small crowds that got under my skin. It was the fact that these crowds consisted of my parents and neighbors," stated junior Jon Yanders, bowling team member who scored a perfect game of 300.

"It's time for these guys to finally get the long-awaited recognition that they deserve," said team sponsor Larry Strickler. "I told them a victory means a free drink...Pepsi that is."

"The most memorable part of my volleyball career," stated senior member Justin Reis, "was when an unidentified member of the team invited some girlies over to our hotel room when we were in Minnesota at a tournament. Needless to say, we played pretty well the next day." Despite their slow start at the beginning of the season, the Johnston/Valley team brought home a second place trophy at regionals.

Receiving two state championships, the Johnston/Urbandale/Valley JV and varsity hockey teams had an unforgettable season. "Our season was tremendous because of our team unity and varsity leadership," said sophomore JV member Blake Cruikshank.

Bowling fanatic Joe McClung said, "So for all of you who didn't even bother to show up, eat puck, go spike yourself, and bowl this one **baby!**"

-Jill Foley & Heidi Zeiger



Photo by James Johnson

Maneuvering around two Sioux City opponents, Junior Luc Cisna retrieves the puck.

The Johnston/Urbandale/Valley team placed first at state championships with this win.

Senior David Ring anxiously prepares to block the volleyball at the final day regional competition. Johnston, combined with Valley, took second place out of ten teams.

1991  
Club Sports

# PROM

A Whole New World

There will never be more primping for an event other than the Junior/Senior Prom. Students work months to pay for their outfits. Girls buy a dress they will only wear once at a price that could outfit them for a semester. Guys suffer with an ill-fitting tuxedo and the outrageous price of dinner, all the while griping about how they have to wear a stupid flower.

As this year's juniors and seniors entered "A Whole New World," their minds were temporarily cleared of these worries. The Drake Olmsted Center was decorated in a sea-like splendor. Chris Hanner and Mimi Bobst were crowned Prom King and Queen. According to junior Nicole Buban,

"It was nice to see some different faces, not the same ol' same ol'."

The prom committee's time and energy was repaid with a successful dance. Students filtered out as the last song was played, preparing for the night still ahead.

Surf's Up-Hang Ten was the theme of this year's After Prom party. Oscar Mayer weiners and Baskin Robbins ice cream were munched on as After Prom-ers participated in games and various activities. Black jack, craps

and Twister were three of the most popular games. The senior slide show was a new addition to the After Prom party. "I preferred having the slide show at After Prom. It was more organized than previous years. Having it at the After Prom party gave us more time at prom," said senior Tricia Perkins.

A highlight of the evening was John Ivan Palmer, a hypnotist from Minnesota. He entertained with a hysterical display of hypnotized audience members. Participants were seen swishing through the spin cycle of a Maytag. Senior Cam Christensen could be heard yelling, "Where's the beef?" Junior Bradie Knapp eagerly greeted Jeremy Heinen, supposedly wearing his BVD's.

The evening ended with the distribution of prizes or in some cases ballpark food. As hypnotized Brian "Rusty" Green would say, "Popcorn, peanuts **anyone?**"

-Lissa Smith & Heidi Zeiger



Photo by Lissa Smith

Musical chairs was never meant to be like this. Senior players Sarah Hartle, Brian Craig, Brian Lee and Junior Gwen Oulman make their own rules.

Juniors Dan Flannery and Ryan Flynn try their luck at the black jack table, a popular spot at this year's After Prom.







Photo by Lisa Smith



Photo by Jennifer Jones

*"Boogaloo, shake your booty and party 'til you puke. Prom '93."*

*-Joe McClung '94*

Photo by Heidi Johns



Senior Tiffany Zortman is taken back with fright as her best friend, senior Emily Hicks, tells her hose-run horror story.



Photo by Jeff Henning

Newly crowned Prom King Chris Hanner hails disco fever as Queen Mimi Bobst and court members Scott Kurtz, Janie Jeffries, Josh Doster and Morgan Holcomb applaud.

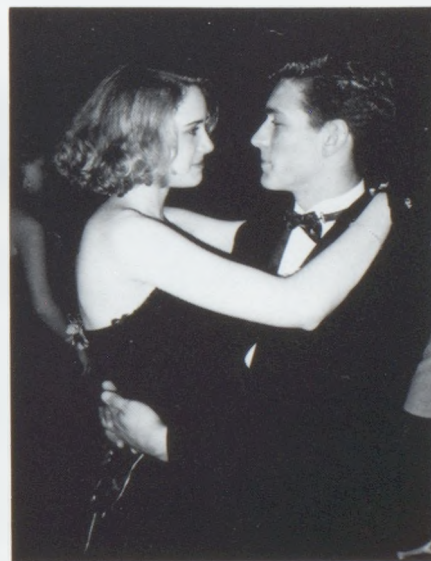


Photo by Jennifer Jones

Sophomore Jill Norviel gazes into junior Doug Kruse's eyes as they dance to "I Will Always Love You," by Whitney Houston.



Placing her basketball memento on the "J", senior Carol Voorhees offers her contribution to Class Day. Each organization nominated one senior to give their memento representing that activity.

Photo by Lisa Smith



Photo by Jill Foley

Carefully, senior Becca Perry attaches senior Kodi Mollendor's cap to her head with bobby pins. This was a common sight at Class Day and graduation.



Photo by Lisa Smith

Playing the National Anthem for the last time at JHS are seniors Brendan Sapienza and Justin Christy. They were two members of a trio that was asked to play at several Iowa Cubs games.



Photo by Heidi Johns

*"The best part was when the underwear was thrown up with the hats. It made graduation seem less formal."*

*-Michael Hulsebus '93*

Photo by Jill Foley





# UNDERWEAR

Graduation Ends With the Flight of Caps and

On May 28, relatives and students packed into the gym, anxiously waiting to acknowledge the Class of 1993. The seniors lined up alphabetically outside the gym doors to make one of their final appearances.

Senior Heather Henning said, "I was nervous, excited and sad all at the same time. It was finally my turn to take part in Class Day, and yet all I could worry about was tripping in the spotlight. The realization of never being together as a class again made me wish high school would never end."

The cheerleaders danced their last dance; the mementos were presented and staff, students and relatives were able to congratulate the seniors with hugs, kisses and lots of pictures.

Then it was off to open house after open house. From Friday to Sunday the parties never seemed to end. "There are so many open houses that I'd like to go to at the same time that it's hard to get to everyone's. Maybe I'll skip my own party," said senior April Bitterman.

After the Sunday morning parties some graduating seniors chose to attend baccalaureate while others waited to arrive in their assigned rooms just before the ceremonies. Senior speaker Chris Hanner spoke about a poem he wrote for graduation, and senior Jill Olsen talked about the lessons of life.

Following the student speakers, diplomas were handed out, and underwear flew with the caps into the air. Senior Justin Christy said, "It's like an out-of-body experience. It didn't seem like I was really graduating, but I'm sure that when I look back at it in the future it will seem more **real**."

-Carol Voorhees



Photo by Jill Foley

Senior Aaron May waits until the last minute to hand junior Brian Moss his invitation to his open house on Sunday. Open houses were attended all weekend as seniors celebrated graduation.

President of the School Board, Richard L. Hardy, shakes senior Corby Cavanaugh's hand as he hands her her diploma. Corby received a scholarship from Simpson College where she plans on attending school.

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Class Day, Graduation

# ACADEMICS

Photo by Sarah Harbo

"Careful, careful..." says Junior Mark Elliott as he concentrates on his separation by distillation experiment. Chemistry offers students a chance to have a hands on experience with lab equipment.







# WORDS of Wisdom

Be it science, art or math JHS teachers share with us their words of wisdom, giving us an education in life as well as in academics. These words ring in one's ears past graduation and throughout **life**.

*-Carol Voorhees*

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Academic Division



In government students are often asked to do reports over various countries. Junior Thomas House explains to his class about the United States foreign policy with China.

Photo by Sarah Harle

# MATH

## When Are We Ever Gonna' Use This?

**math·e·matics** n. The science of numbers and their operations, interrelations, combinations and a bunch of other stuff that may or may not be used in life.

"When will I ever use this stuff?"

This question could be heard among many JHS students about math. Math was one of the five major subjects every student took during high school. Classes like algebra I & II, geometry, trigonometry and calculus were available to students. Even when all these math courses were completed, the question still was "Where does someone use any of this information?"

Many students used the math courses as preparation for college. "I'm still in math because it's a prerequisite for the veterinarian program I want to go into in college," said senior Amy Tomenga.

One other aspect of math was competition. Many students competed every year and applied their skills to something outside of homework and tests. The math teachers encouraged students to participate in these competitions. "I encourage students because by taking part in the math competitions it helps them improve on their ACT scores, which will help them in life," said Mr. Gross, algebra teacher.

Another way to use math skills was for fun. Mrs. Van Farowe's geometry classes learned to use their math skills by dressing geometrically and designing ornaments at Christmas for the "Geometree." "I actually used some of the geometry that I learned to make my 'Geometree' ornament," said sophomore Kelly Kohles.

Whether it was Christmas ornaments or architecture, students at JHS learned that math became an important part of everyday life.

-Kristen De Groot



A few extra credit points never hurt anyone, and sophomore Jennifer Finney receives a few by dressing geometrically.

Photo by Sarah Higgins



"If there are four green marbles and seven yellow ones, what is the possibility that a yellow marble will be drawn?" Senior Janie Jeffries works out a probability question on the board during statistics.



Photo by Joanna Stokely

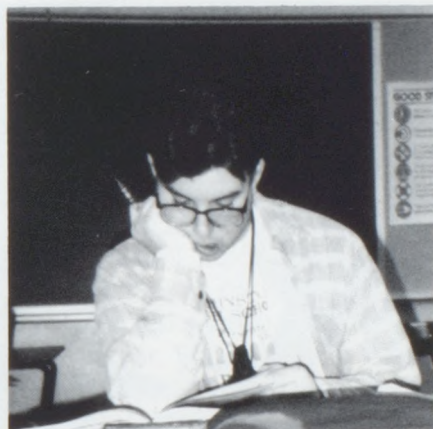


Photo by Joanna Stokely

"When in life am I going to use this?" thinks senior Lauren Stole as he stares at his Consumer Math book.

While using the mouse to move the cursor, sophomore Jason Matkins uses the computer to improve on his math skills.

# 27 Mathematics



To ask Mr. Partington or not to ask; that is the question. Juniors Sarah Campbell, Misty Graham and senior Diana Linnehan try to figure out their separation by distillation lab.



Photo by Sarah Hartle



Photo by Sarah Hartle

Freshman Crystal Smith memorizes the periodic table minutes before Mr. Briggs hands out the quiz.

Frantically trying to finish their physics collision experiment are seniors Dan Newell and Tara Oiler.





# SCIENCE

## Time Out! We're Trying to Learn!

**sci · ence. n.** A lot of boring facts that teachers told us we would need to know for college. This definition might have been given by a number of students. Although these facts may have been tedious JHS teachers' personal traits made classes fun.

Anyone who had Mr. Mahoney would answer, "Time out. We're trying to learn here," when asked about his favorite phrase. He also liked to relate biology to athletics. Senior Corby Cavanaugh gave an example. "My favorite story is about the toughest game a uterus will ever have to play - birth. How does false labor have anything to do with calisthenics?"

Mrs. Morris, biology teacher, was remembered for her experiment stories. "She told us about when she fed mice beer to see which one would live longer. I think it makes the class more interesting!" said sophomore Lynzee Mallett.

While the biology teachers were known for their humor, Mr. Partington, chemistry teacher, was known for his bluntness. Junior Wade Sewell said, "One day someone asked Mr. Partington if he got his haircut and he answered by telling him, no, he just washed it!"

The freshmen found that Mr. Briggs was a cool guy when it came to science teachers. He realized that tests can be hard when they included a lot of memorization. He let them write information on a notecard. Freshman Heather Battin said, "I think it is funny how he jokes about how small we write on the cards, but if I didn't I probably wouldn't pass his class."

Whether it was cracking jokes, using notecards, or relating birth to baseball, JHS science teachers amused their students while teaching the basics of **science.**

-Carol Voorhees



Photo by Sarah Horie

"How did I get stuck cutting?" asks sophomore Eric Jones. Sophomore Shannon Woodhall laughs at him removing the heart from the crayfish in biology class.

# ART

## Where Does This Belong?

Photo by Carol Voorhees

**art** *n.* anything academic that doesn't fall under math, science, language, or social studies. Here at Johnston, there were four major departments under this definition.

The most obvious of these was the Fine Arts department. "At JHS we have a fine, liberal visual studies program," said senior Jason Pace. "Mr. Weiss expects hard work and gives us the opportunity to create, critique, and discuss."

Discussion not only took place in the art room, but in the gym as well. One could have rarely walked into the gym and observed total participation by all the students. However, sophomore Sarah Schoper found a way to talk to her friends and receive her daily points. "When I play dodge ball, all I have to do is either stand by the guys or walk in circles so it looks like I'm playing."

Another of the arts offered was the industrial arts. A common misconception of this department was that it was only for those of the male gender. "It's not just for guys," said freshman Julie Morgan. "Women are becoming more involved in previously male-oriented fields."

Just as most people thought that the industrial technologies was just for boys, the same was true for the leisure arts and girls. "Almost everybody thinks that this is just a girls' class, but the guys contribute more in our class," said junior Kyle Dickey about his personal and family living class.

Be it fine or physical, industrial or leisure, everyone was involved in some way with the **arts**.

-By David Ring and Carol Voorhees

Experimenting with linear continuity is one of the many things junior Jenny Smith learned in Design I. Mr. Weiss consistently offered a challenging art **class**.



Photo by Sarah Horta





Carefully measuring her thread, senior Sherri Nelsen prepares to cross stitch in Leisure Arts with Mrs. Lauen. Nelsen also learned how to stencil, make jewelry and use a sewing machine.



Photo by Carol Voorhees



Photo by Sarah Harris

Perfection was the key in senior Andrea Adams charcoal drawing. To keep the piece neat, she placed a square format over it in her Advanced Studies class.

Sophomore Andrew Meston is machining a piece of metal into a cannon. Andrew also used a welding machine, as well as the metal lathe in Advanced Metals class.





While presenting his report on Panama in government class to seniors Dan Newell and Jeff Featherstone, senior Todd Swanson is desperately trying to get an A for enthusiasm.



Photo by Sarah Horlie

# Social Studies 32

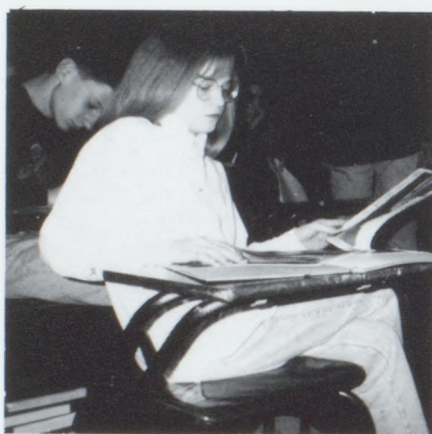
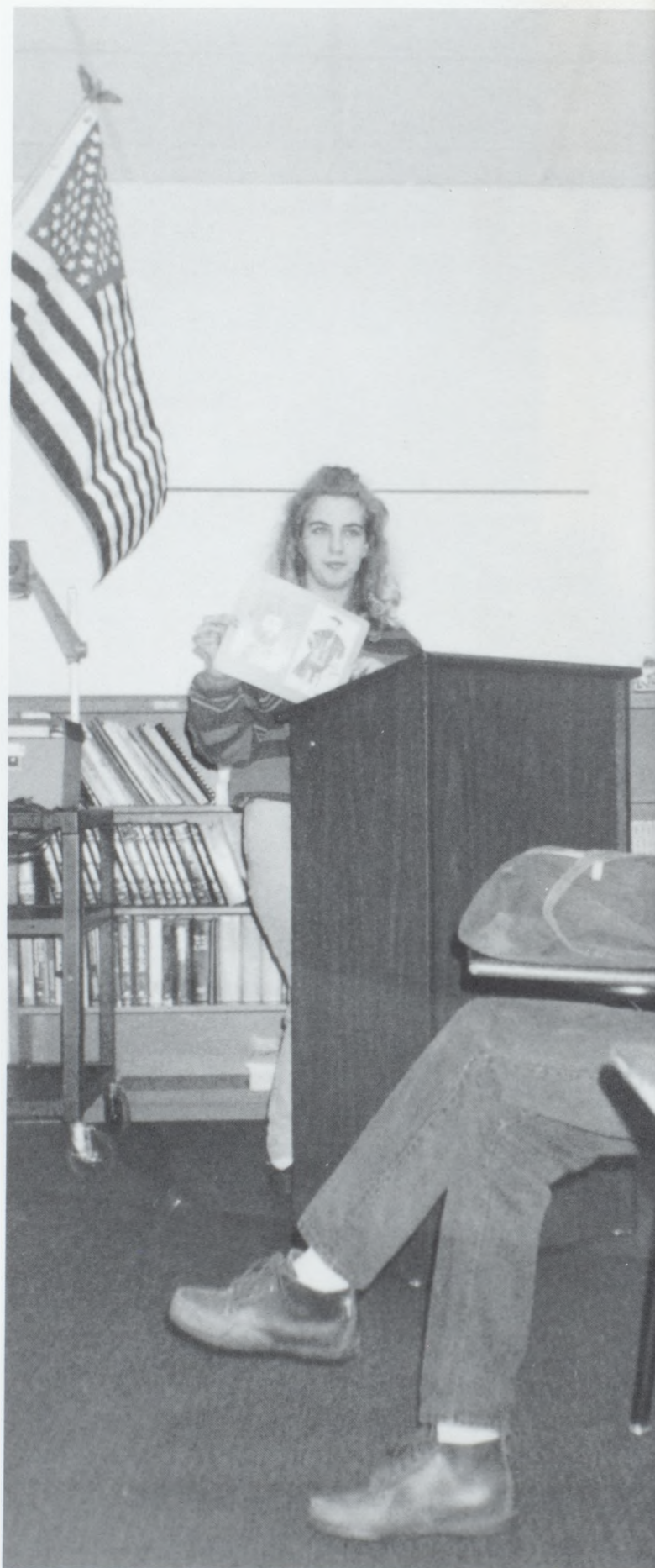


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Topics in Geography student Shannon Fisher begins her Eskimo project with help from the packet of research materials.

Sophomore Heather Heller shows portraits of the explorer she studied for her world studies report as sophomore Stephanie Jones listens attentively.





# SO-CIAL STUDIES

## Why Do I Need To Take This?

**so-cial stud-ies** n. a class Mr. Doudna told me I had to take to graduate. While freshmen weren't required to take a social studies class, they had a choice of either Topics in Geography or Topics in Citizenship. Freshman Chad Stamps' reasoning for enrolling in both Topics classes was, "I like social studies and I like the fact that we get to study small town governments and large town governments."

World Studies was required for all sophomores. This class covered history from the first civilization to modern times. Mr. Lawler and Mr. Kinder tried to incorporate group work with lectures to increase the students' learning.

The juniors' schedules included U.S. History. The most memorable part of this class for many Juniors was Mr. Kinder's sense of humor. Junior Chad Piper stated, "His first hour class was always the best because he made fun of current events everyday. It's not what he says, it's the way he says it."

The final mandatory social studies class was for the seniors. Government was taught to increase the students' awareness of the world and government policies. "Even though the whole election deal is still kind of confusing, government helped me learn more about the caucuses and primaries. This is one of the classes where I think what I learn will help me later on in life," commented senior Zeke Roberts.

Whether by choice or for fear of the guidance office, Johnston students have been involved in all things social... studies, that is.

-Joanna Stookey

**33** Social Studies



Photo by Sarah Hartle

In preparation for the upcoming test Mr. Kinder, U.S. History teacher, distributes review sheets to Junior Ryan Guttridge.



# LANGUAGE

## What Are All These Bonds?

**lan·guage** n. the study which creates bonds between one's thoughts and ideas and his or her ability to share and express these to others, the bonds between past and present and the bonds between different countries and cultures.

Students in such classes as freshman and sophomore English, speech, Advanced Composition, Creative Writing, American and World Literature and Advanced Placement English formed connections between their thoughts and others'. "When I wrote a poem or just a normal story in writing workshop I was able to express myself better and get my deepest feelings down on paper. Then when people read my papers they were able to understand better what I was trying to say," commented sophomore Andrea Haag.

Bonds were formed between past and present in Myths and Legends class. Senior Tracy Kane stated, "It's neat to hear about things that people actually believed a long time ago."

Foreign language also played a part in making ties between our country and culture and other countries and cultures. Language wasn't the only thing emphasized in the foreign language classes. Culture, traditions and holidays were also a part of the foreign language experience. A highlight of the classes was Foreign Language Week, which took place in April. The week included scavenger hunts with instructions in a foreign language and a flag identification contest.

Through learning the art of communication, students created bonds that influenced their perceptions of the world and the people around **them**.

*-Joanna Stookey & Heidi Johns*

After sophomore Todd Ferin's occupation description in speech class, sophomore Brian McLain interviews for the position, as Mrs. Coppock interprets for Riley Iverson. This project educated students about various careers and the interview process, while also enhancing their speech skills.

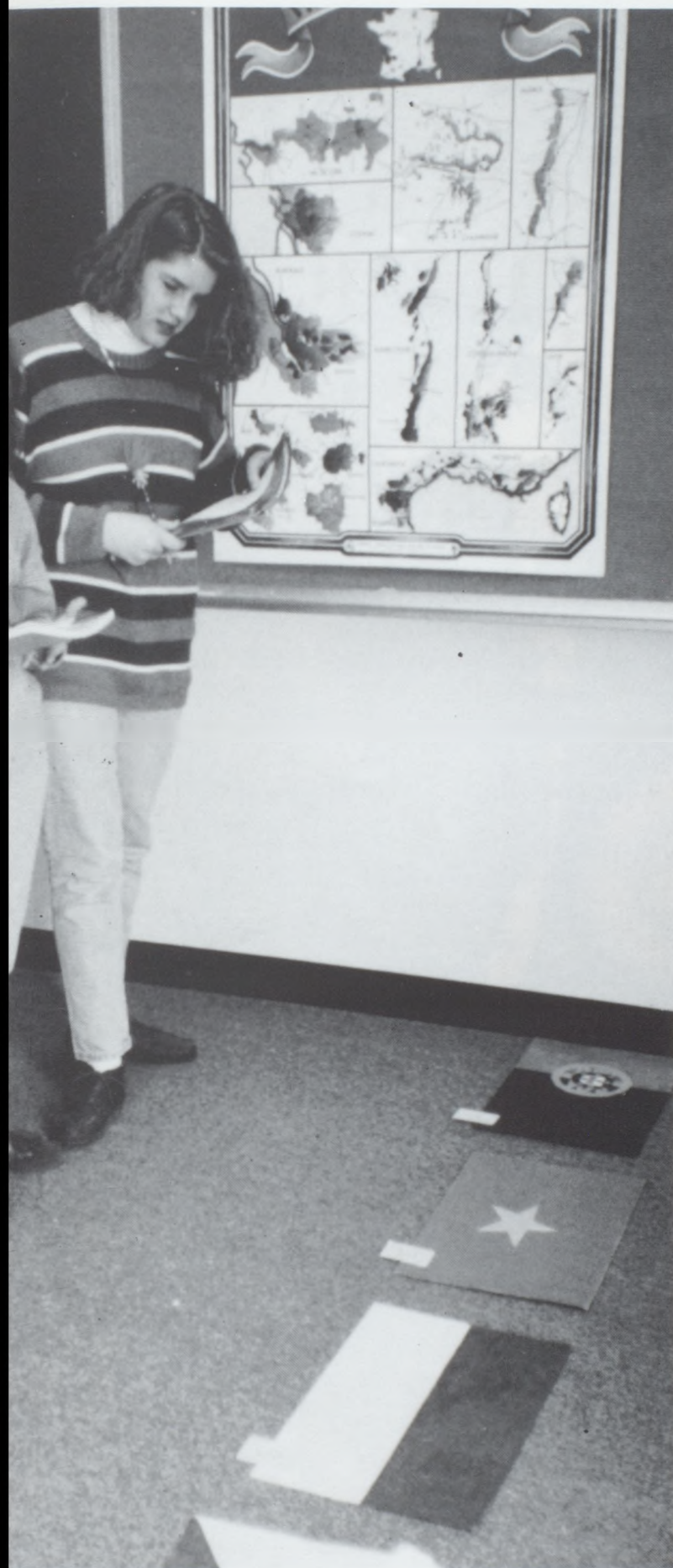


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In order to test their dictionary skills, freshmen Tammy Proehl and Heather Tuttle look up the meaning of "cyclorama." Dictionary skills were a part of the freshman English class' library unit.



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Using their knowledge of French, sophomores Becky Floren, Rachel Graaf and Amy Ungenfelder teach a third grade class the song "Allouette." Mrs. Moermond's seventh period French III class made two visits to Wallace Elementary to prepare third graders for a visit from a French **puppeter**.

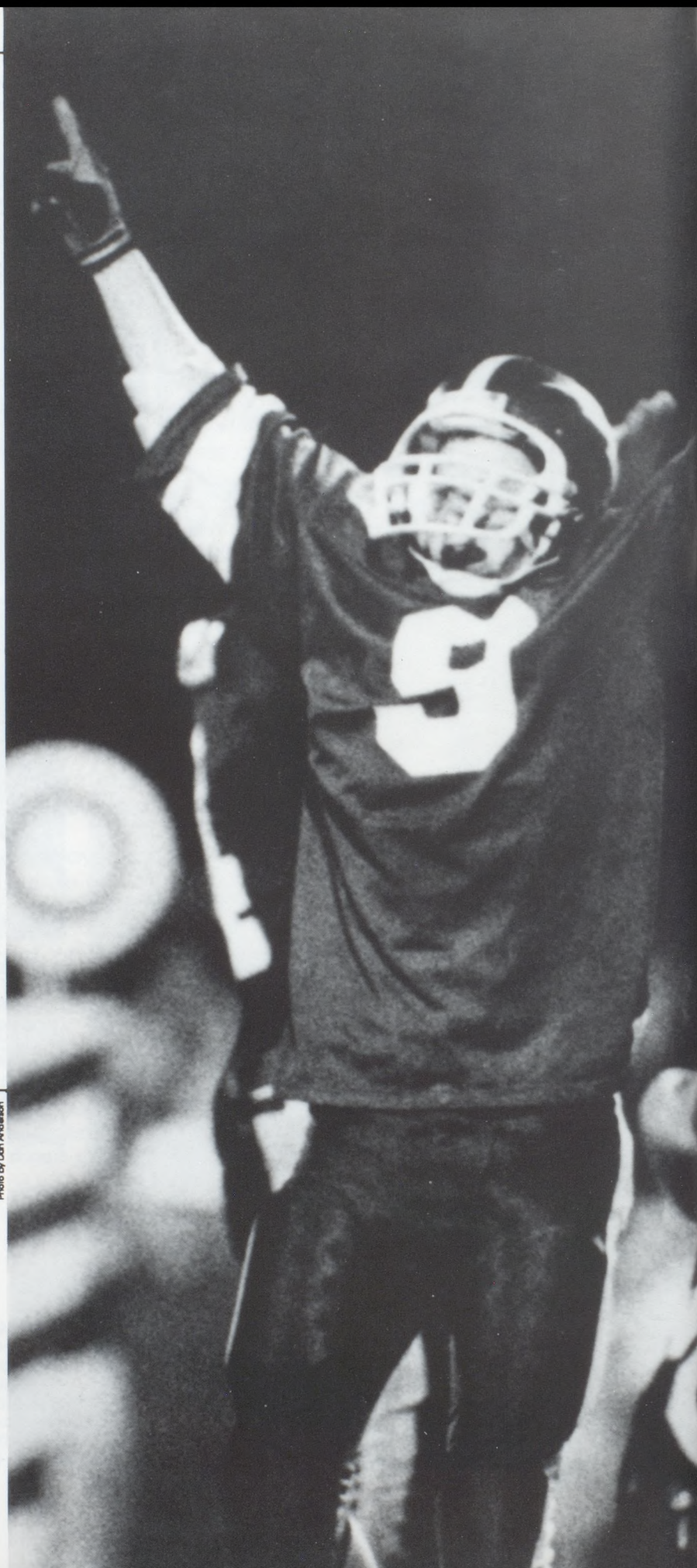
To further their awareness of foreign cultures, freshmen Rhannon Thoreson, Monica Wilg and Leslie Phipps participate in the flag identification contest. This competition was a part of Foreign Language **Week**.



# Sports

Photo by Dan Anderson

After hearing the news that the team had qualified for the play-offs, senior Jake Oldham celebrates during the football game against Clarke.







# A Play on WORDS

Whether it's going to the state play-offs in football or districts in volleyball, Johnston's athletics are making a name for themselves. With a growing community, Johnston is getting more and more top quality athletes whose dedication and ability to play cannot be expressed in words that imply anything other than hard work.

*-Ross Anderson and Jason Benbow*

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Sports Division



Demonstrating her agility, senior Janie Jeffries crouches to keep the ball in play after a roll-shot.

Photo by Carol Voorhees



Senior Brad Beaman explodes up the field on his way to the end zone and a season rushing total of 215 yards.



Photo by Dan Anderson

### Varsity Football

Clarinda 21-14

Grinnell 10-7

Norwalk 14-26

Knoxville 17-0

Saydel 14-0

Perry 56-8

Adel 21-0

Winterset 10-12

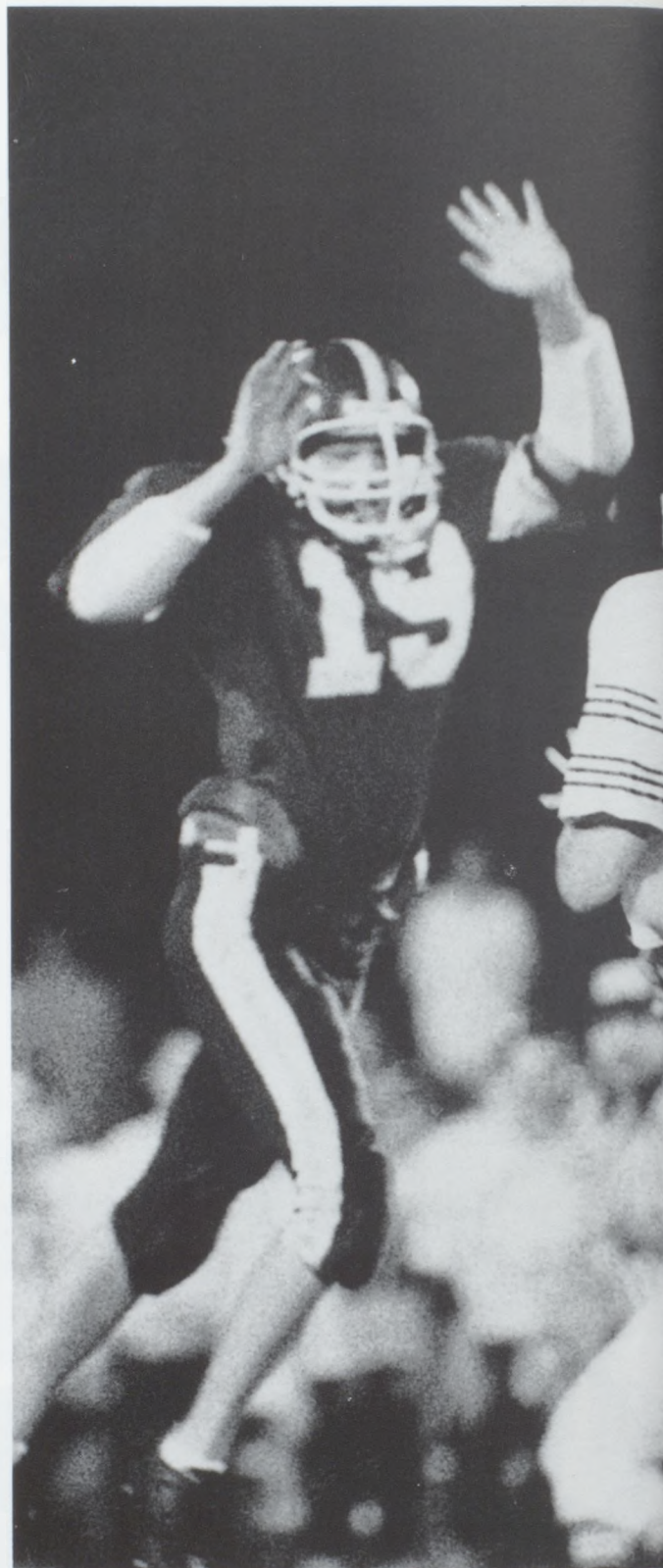
Clarke 27-22

Harlan-PLAYOFFS 9-27

Season Record: 7-3



**VARSITY FOOTBALL.** Manager Melghan Moore, Eric Johnson, Kim VerHoef. **ROW 2.** Kirk Ojendyk, Sergio Casares, Mike Nicodemus, Chad Piper, Chad McFarling, Cuong Le, Chad Grayson, Michael Remer, Sam Baccam. **ROW 3.** Corey Wilcox, Jason Wilcox, Greg Beck, Coach Ted Christensen, Coach Mike Holder, Head Coach Garry Auxier, Coach Fritz Keelling, Joe McClung, Todd Swanson, Eric Wing. **ROW 4.** Jason Veeder, Shawn Mahoney, Ryan Horn, Craig Ball, Jake Oldham, Jeremy Rhinehart, Wade Sewell, Tyson Iles, Lucas Sturdevant, Greg Reed. **ROW 5.** Brad Beaman, Justin Allen, Luke Smart, Jeremy Heinen, Scott Kurtz, Matt Caswell, Ken Cale, Tobias Baker, Cam Christensen. **ROW 6.** Shawn Humphries, Mike Moon, Todd Johnson, David Block, Jeff Featherstone, Nathan Jorgenson, Ross Anderson, Lane Sires.



Leaping up to deflect a pass is senior Todd Johnson. He assisted the team with 28 tackles.

# Varsity Football

By Ross Anderson and Jason Benbow

## SOARING TO STATE

"We will be remembered for years to come as the first Johnston football team to make the state playoffs," commented senior Brad Beaman, second team all-district line-backer.

The season began with two non-conference victories. The first, against Clarinda, ended in a thrilling overtime. The second was against a tough Grinnell team.

The eighth-rated Dragons were fired up for the game against rival Norwalk. However, their enthusiasm could not come through as the team dropped their first game of the year.

The Dragons defeated their next three opponents and had renewed confidence going into the Adel game. This would determine if the playoffs were a possibility. "The players' confidence was so positive that they were not going to be denied the victory," said Coach Garry Auxier. This great win put them in a three way tie for first with Norwalk and Adel. After a

disappointing loss at Winterset, the final week became a must win situation against Clarke. They needed Winterset to lose and Saydel to beat Adel. Behind in the fourth quarter, the team heard over the loud speaker that both Winterset and Adel had been beaten. This sent everyone into a frenzy. "It was like a dream come true. Everything we worked for had finally paid off," said

junior D.J. Danner.

The playoffs had arrived with the Dragons facing second-rated Harlan. "I had never been so nervous in my life. I thought I was

***"I had never been so nervous in my life. I thought I was going to be sick."***

***-Toby Baker '94***

going to be sick," said Junior Toby Baker.

The game had many highs and lows, one of which was when quarterback Wade Sewell ran for a touchdown, only to be called back by an inadvertent whistle.

Though the team played a hard fought game, they ended up losing 27-9. Coach Mike Halder said, "I was very proud to be part of the first team to make the playoffs...we are still striving to be **champions.**"

Varsity Football



Senior Luke Smart embraces his father after a very emotional loss to Harlan in the first round of the playoffs.

Photo by Dan Anderson

Photo by Dan Anderson



9th & 10th Football By Jennifer Jones

# CATCHING UP

When talking about Dragon football in 1992, most people probably spoke of the varsity team's exciting play-off game. However, the freshmen and sophomore teams weren't far behind.

For the freshmen the year was one of learning and building. "In general the whole team improved offensively in their blocking skills and individual techniques. Defensively they became more aggressive and worked better as a unit towards the end of the season," said Coach Frank Baltzley.

Although they had a successful season, they learned from defeat. "Our most exciting game was against Grinnel. Even though we lost, we came back in the fourth quarter and came together as a team," said freshman Cory Kiper. The freshmen missed their final scoring drive that would have put them on top due to lack of time.

The freshmen also learned from the sophomore team. "Our best games were against the 10th grade

team because they were the best team we played," stated freshman Zac Christensen.

The sophomore team had a very successful season as well, although it did have its ups and downs. The players started the season in new positions which got them off to a slow start. "Our first game we were a little rusty, but after we got our new quarterback (Chris Danner) things started to fall into place," said sophomore Jay Christianson.

After Danner replaced Christianson as quarterback the team's offense improved and combined with the defense to help them finish the season strong. The sophomore team played a very tough

schedule against many JV teams. However, it was very rewarding to beat old rivals. "Beating Adel was exciting because every year they've kicked our butt!" exclaimed sophomore Brian Schock.

Both teams fought hard to catch up to their opponents and end the season with a win.

***"Our best games were against the tenth grade team because they were the best team we played.."***

***-Zac Christensen '96***

"R33...set...hut," yells sophomore quarterback Chris Danner as sophomores John Sederwall and Brian Schock prepare for the snap.

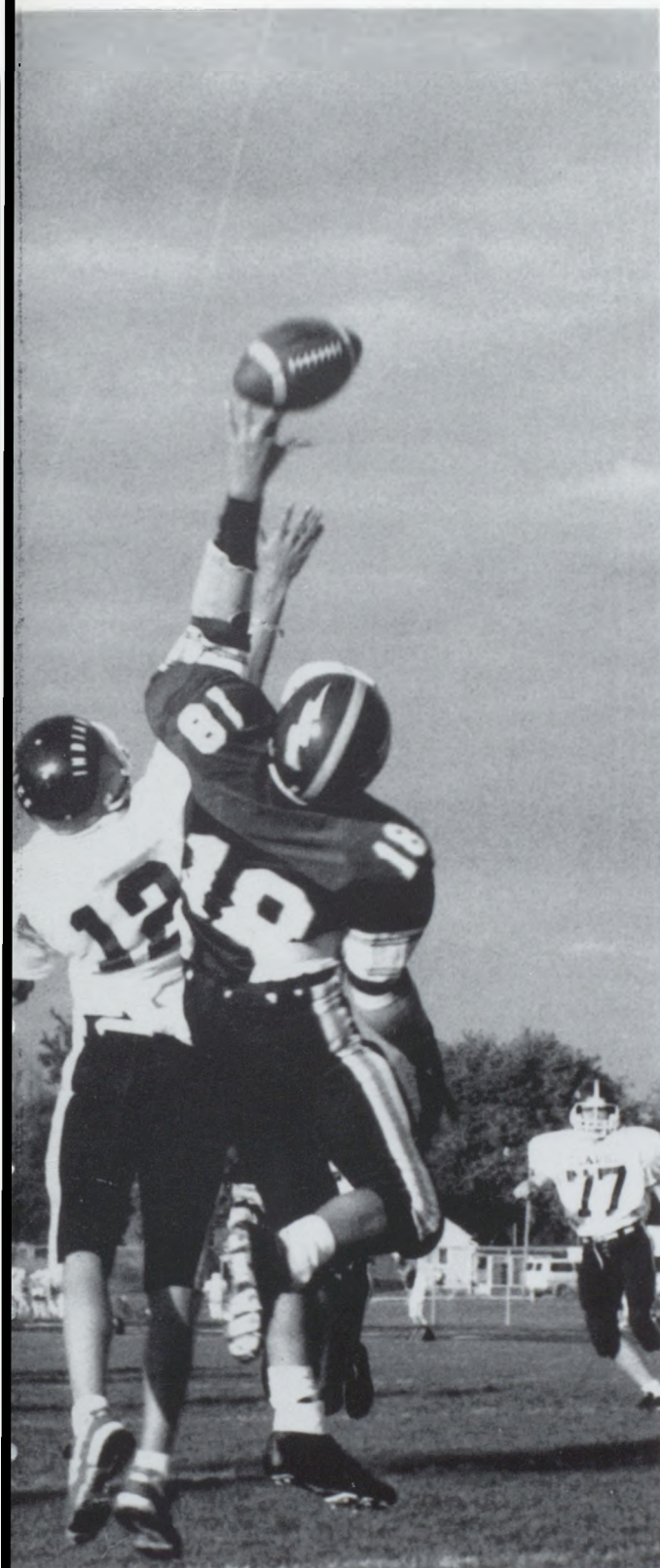


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Photo by Gerald Voorhees





Freshman Jon Ross soars through the air to tip the ball away from his opponent.



Photo by Jennifer Jones

Devastation sets in as freshmen Mike Fackler falls to his knees after a touchdown scored by the Indians.

#### Freshman Football

S.E. Polk 32-16  
S.E. Polk (B) 16-20  
Boone 22-26  
Norwalk 14-14  
Knoxville 28-16  
Grinnell 28-34  
Clarke 28-14  
Adel 12-0  
Winterset 36-24

Season Record 5-3-1

#### Sophomore Football

Grinnell 40-21  
Norwalk 28-40  
Boone 34-12  
Knoxville 7-25  
Clarke 21-8  
Adel 14-12  
Winterset 32-7

Season Record 5-2



**FRESHMAN FOOTBALL.** Derek Haag, Steve Rodriguez, Jason Caton, Corey Dickey, Tee Hill, Ben Barnes, Nick Mitchell, John Nichols, Jason Blaha. **ROW 2.** Marc Gregor, Kevin Whitehill, Blake Roth, Jeff Foster, Coach Mike O'leary, Coach Frank Baltzley, Tim Halling, Christopher Stafford, Mike Wilcox, Peter Alexander. **ROW 3.** Brian McCleary, Jonny French, Ryan Gray, Miles Cochran, Matt Madison, Jeremy Hietbrink, Eric Sable, James Peterson, John Wilson. **ROW 4.** Mike Bennett, Kris Bro, A.J. Simpson, Jon Vocelka, Doug Langworthy, Ben Groves, Ryan Maason, Jon Ross, Derek Trobaugh. **ROW 5.** Tanner Cain, Tim Hruska, Greg Olsen, Cody Koch, Travis Schulling, Aaron Corcoran, Mike Fackler, Zac Christensen, Cory Kiper.



**SOPHOMORE FOOTBALL.** Manager Danny Bright, Andy Roeth, Mike Sorler, Dax Landeen, Manager John Davis, **ROW 2.** Daniel Reach, Jeff Meyers, David Rittgers, Coach Terhune, Coach Brad Johnson, Jon Gustason, T.J. Sclorotta, Brian Smith. **ROW 3.** Brian Schock, Aaron Toney, Donny Tyrrel, Alex Jeffries, Andrew Meston, James Doyle, Mark Howleson. **ROW 4.** Jay Christianson, Brent Cutler, Tom Caswell, Chris Comerford, Ryan Crowder, Matt Pace. **ROW 5.** Kelly Pierce, Dylan Boyles, Tim Rains, John Sederwall, Brad Harshen, Casey Richwine





Watching the ball  
Intently senior  
Janie Jeffries  
prepares to pass  
the ball to the  
setter.

Photo by David Ring

### Varsity Volleyball

Ballard 3-1

North 3-0

Winterset 1-3

Hoover 3-0

Ballard Tournament 4th

Saydel Tournament 4th

Boone 0-3

Conference Tournament 4th

Pella Christian 3-2

Oskaloosa Tournament 3rd

Carlisle 3-1

Perry 2-3

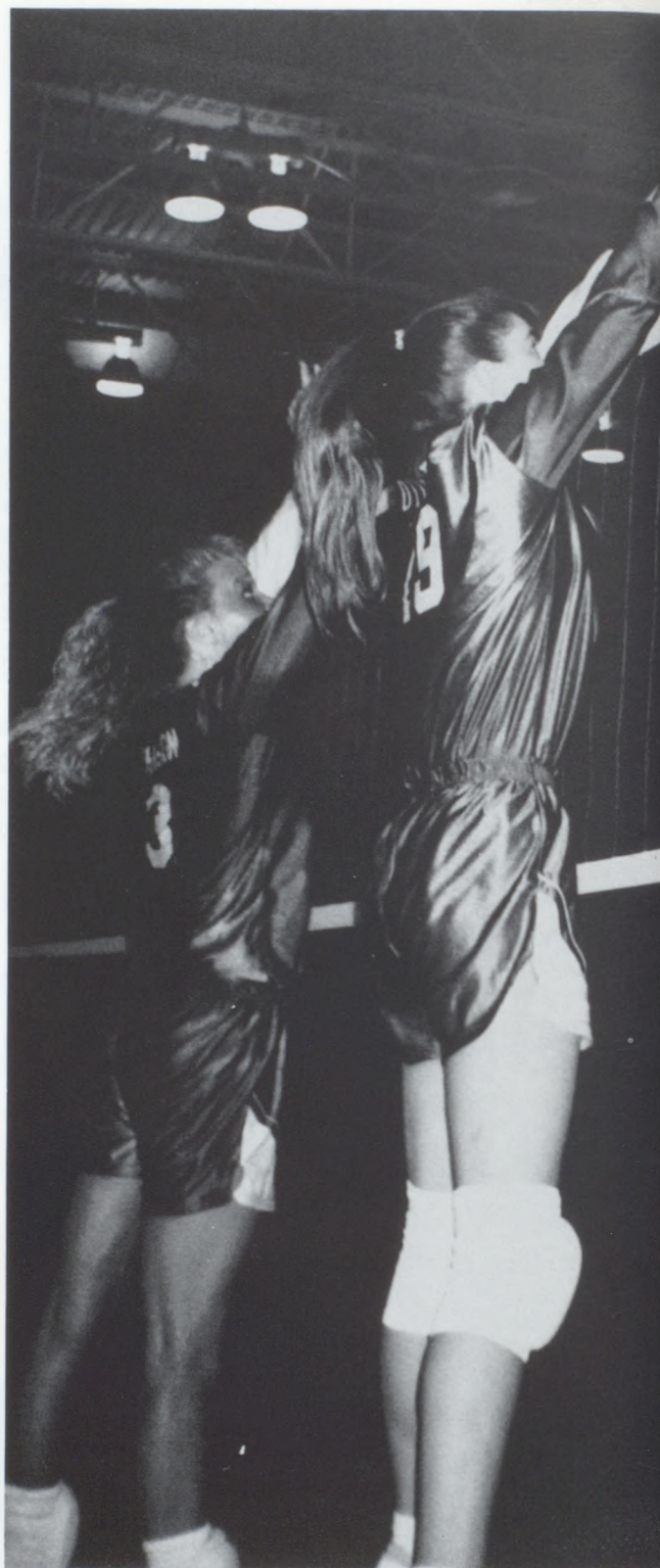
Valley 3-2

Urbandale 0-3

Season Record 6-3



**VARSITY VOLLEYBALL.** Morgan Holcomb, Mimi Bobst, Heather Henning, Janie Jeffries, Emily Hicks, Tara Oiler, Stephanie Grandia, Sarah Hartle. **ROW 2.** Becca Perry. **ROW 3.** Manager David Ring, Crissy Hammen, Jaime Johnson, Amanda Brannan, Coach Nancy Wuttke.



Reaching new heights, senior Tara Oiler and Junior Jaime Johnson block the ball against Pella Christian.



Varsity Volleyball By David Ring

# REACHING NEW HEIGHTS

Experience was a quality prevalent on the varsity volleyball team. With all but one player returning as varsity this year, the team called on experience during each match. This experience allowed the team to remain relaxed even when they were down.

"It's good to be relaxed," said senior Sarah Hartle, "but you have to know when to be excited too. If you've got the momentum, you have to stay excited and play with the momentum. If you relax after taking a big lead, then you lose the excitement, and that allows the other team to make a comeback."

One of the many players responsible for generating this excitement was First Team All-Conference middle blocker, senior Mimi Bobst. "I just went out and played my hardest," said Bobst. She finished the season with 137 kills.

Senior Janie Jeffries led the team with the best serve reception

percentage of 91 per cent. Jeffries didn't receive the recognition that the front row players got, but she didn't mind. "It didn't bother me that I didn't get much attention playing back row, but after playing four years of volleyball, I'm kind of used to it."

Jeffries was one of the three captains the team had this year. "We never had three captians before, so it was kind of interesting to see how it worked out," said senior Emily Hicks, setter, another captain.

The third captain was senior Morgan Holcomb. She was second on the team in best serving percentage with 91 per cent. "You just have to relax, set up to the line, and do your job. It's that easy," she said.

What made it easy was the experience accumulated in past years while playing, the experience the entire team displayed, and the experience that led to a season filled with **emotion**.

***"I just went out and played my hardest."***

***-Mimi Bobst '93***

Varsity Volleyball



Concentrating on where to place the serve senior Mimi Bobst prepares to hit the ball.

Photo by David Ring

Photo by David Ring



9th & 10th Volleyball By Sarah Hartle and Joanna Stookey

# AT YOUR SERVICE

According to the Freshman Girls Volleyball Coach Dave Beason this year was "challenging yet rewarding. It was challenging because we didn't have any stand-out athletes, and it was rewarding because we had several quality athletes with rough skills."

These girls competed well with their competition. Coach Beason thinks, "In order for them to remain competitive they will have to work on perfecting the skills of the game and implementing them." The freshmen played well against tough teams. "I think that playing against better teams made us play better, even if we did lose some," said freshmen Alicia Rollison.

At the Johnston tournament the Junior Varsity team went up against Pella Christian, the hardest team they had to play that season. Carri Hansen said, "We went up against Pella Christian and played one of our best games

of the season. For the first time in a while the J.V. team took a game from Pella Christian. It was a great game. We wanted to win both, but we were happy with one win against them."

"It was great to take first in the Saydel tournament. It was a long and tiring day, but after we took home the first place trophy it made it all worth it," said junior Julie Kotz. Coach Greiman

also told of the Saydel Tournament, "It was a wonderful surprise to get a first place trophy; I think it was the highlight of the whole season."

Even though the season record for both teams was not what was hoped for,

the skills and playing experience were beneficial for all. The freshman team ended up the season with a 21-16 record; the Junior Varsity finished with a 36-25 record. Throughout the season one could see the individual skills and the teamwork improving and pulling the team together.

***"For the first time in a while the J.V. team took a game from Pella Christian. We wanted to win both but we were happy with one win against them."***

***-Carri Hansen '95***

JV Volleyball

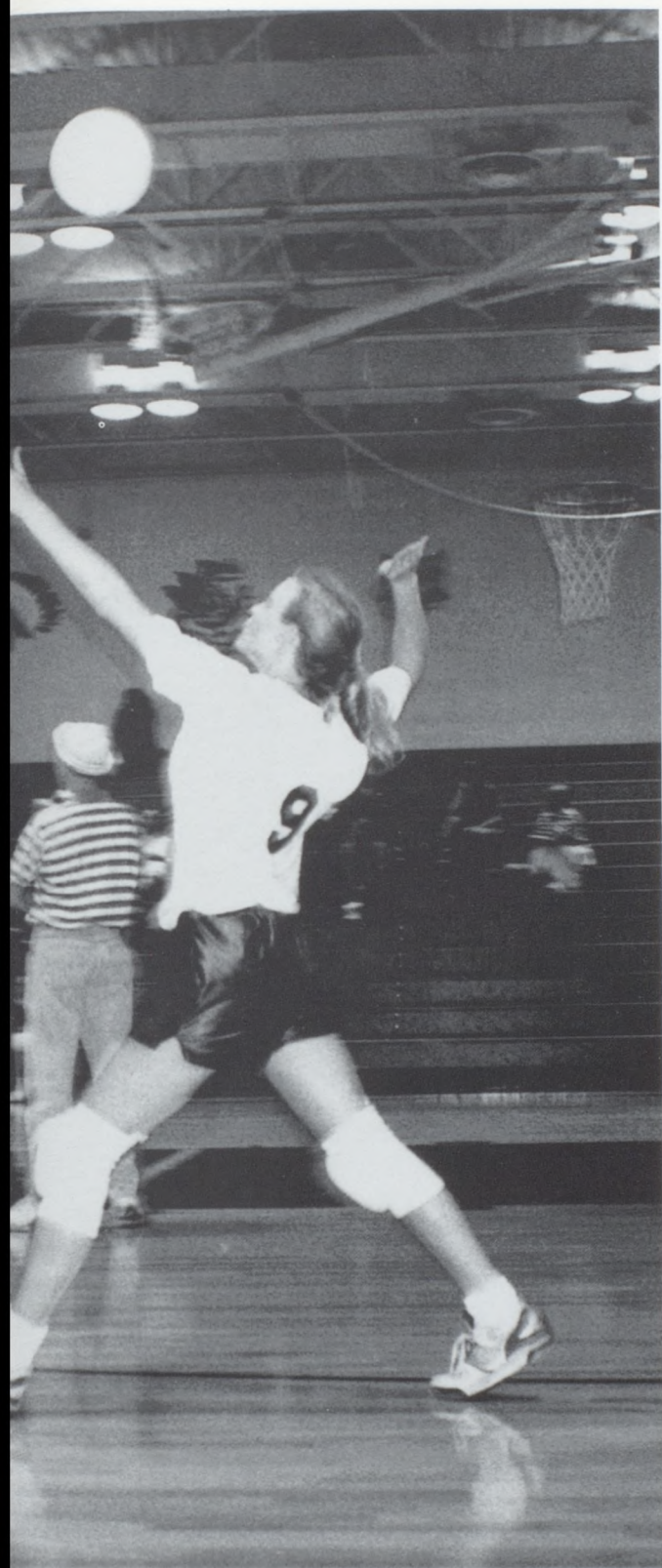
Sophomores Amanda Gardner and Amy Myer, and junior Crissy Hammen are in their defensive positions eagerly awaiting Boone's serve. This was a tough match between the two schools but Boone pulled out ahead winning two games.



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During the game against Carlisle, freshman Kelly Newsom prepares to pound the ball to the opposing team.



Photo by Sarah Hartle

"We're down by one, we can take this. We have to stay up, don't sit back and give it to them," instructs Coach Grelman, as sophomore Libby Herrmann and junior Christy Jones look on. The J.V. team had a 36-25 season record.

# JV volleyball

## Junior Varsity Volleyball

Ballard 1-2  
Winterset 1-2  
Saydel Tourney 7-3  
Nevada 1-2  
Hoover 2-1  
Norwalk 2-1  
Boone 1-2  
Pella Christian 0-3  
Carlisle 3-0  
North 3-0  
Clarke 2-1  
Perry 3-0  
Johnston Tournament 6-2  
Oskaloosa Tournament 4-6

## Freshman Volleyball

Ballard 2-1  
Winterset 1-1  
Nevada 1-2  
Hoover 3-0  
Norwalk 2-1  
Boone 1-2  
Pella Christian 0-3  
Carlisle 1-2  
North 3-0  
Clarke 1-2  
Perry 3-0  
Nevada Tournament 5-3

Season Record 5-5-1

Season Record 6-5



**FRESHMEN VOLLEYBALL.** Alica Rollison, Megan Bengard, Kate Jones, Danielle Williams, Kirsten Angstrom. Row 2. Annie Mullenix, Lisa Shanley, Laura Block, Jane Zirkelbach. Row 3. Kelly Newsom, Lisa Henning, Coach Beason, Amy Brehmer, Morgan Anderson.



**J.V. VOLLEYBALL.** Crissy Hammen, Amanda Gardner, Julie Kotz, Christy Jones. Row 2. Karl Tank, Amy Myer, Christina Moreno, Kris Tedesco. Row 3. Megan Little, Jennifer Jones, Coach Grelman, Carli Hansen, Libby Herrmann.



Wiping the sweat from his brow freshman Casey Smith feels a sense of accomplishment after crossing the finish line with a time of 23:09, his best time of the season.



Photo by Shannon Smith

## Boys' Cross Country

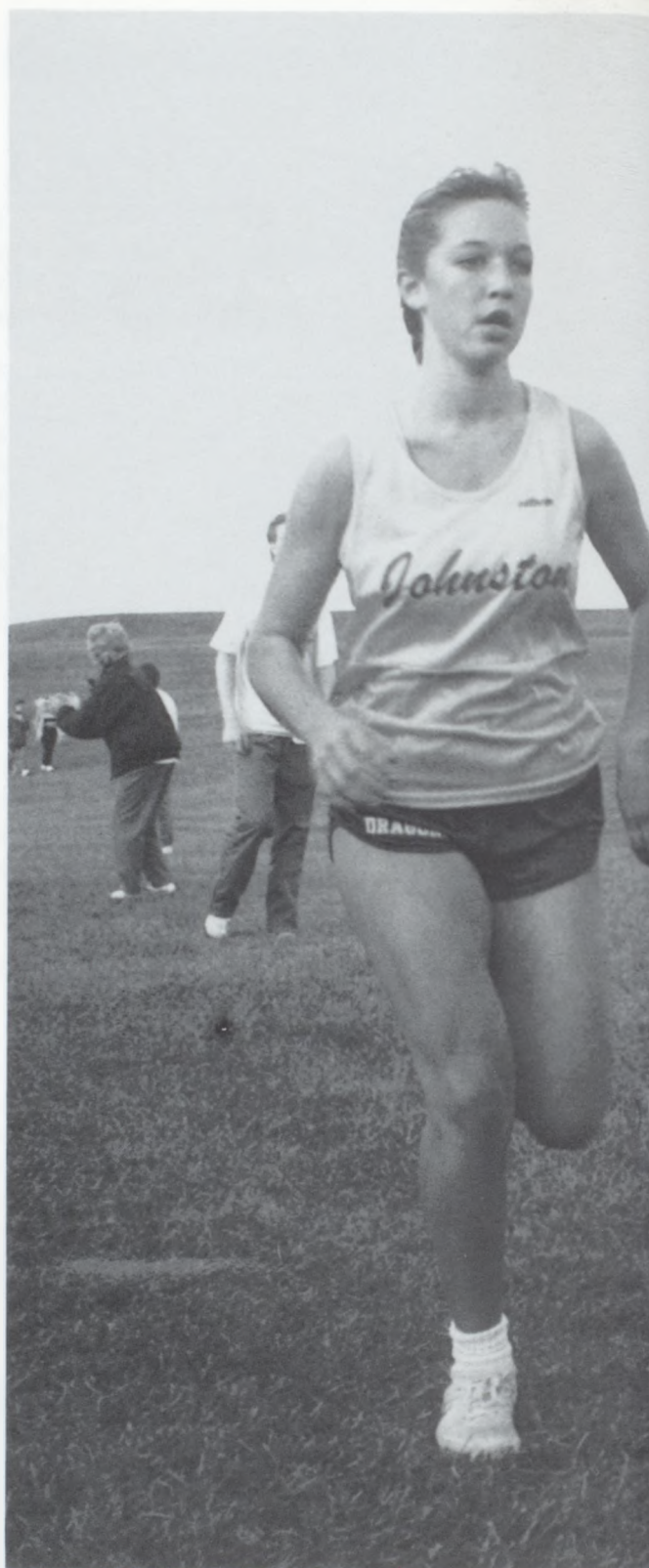
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Winterset Inv. 4th  
Johnston Inv. 4th  
Ballard Inv. 6th  
Nevada Inv. 9th  
Gilbert Inv. 5th  
Conference Meet 6th

## Girls' Cross Country

Urbandale Inv. 4th  
Winterset Inv. 5th  
Johnston Inv. 3rd  
Ballard Inv. 7th  
Nevada Inv. 7th  
Gilbert Inv. 6th  
Conference Meet 4th



**CROSS COUNTRY.** Row 1: Sari Roarick, Kristin Warren, Marisa Baumgart, Sarah Schoper, Molly Holub, Erin Fisher, Jenni Butz, Nicole Timmins. Row 2: Matt Kunert, Matt Webster, Greg Tibboel, Courtney Johnson, Katie Jacobsen, Jill Foley, Jenny Smith, Shon Olson, Seamus Murphy. Row 3: Bobby Johnson, Matt Simpson, Casey Smith, Josh Twedt, Jeff Nieting, Bryan Stennes, Josh Van Heukelom, Matt Lundberg. Row 4: Nick Iwig, Matt Mullenix, Brian Lee, Jeff Stephens, Andy Offenburger, Spencer Parsons, Riley Phipps, Grady Tibboel, Bryan Burkhardt.



Freshman Nicole Timmins picks up her pace in the final stretch at the Conference meet where she placed 14th. She finished the season with a personal best of 13:04.



*Cross Country* By Lissa Smith and Shannon Smith

# A STEP AHEAD

As the warm ups tumbled to the ground, nervous bodies and stomachs hesitantly approached the starting line. Ever so slightly they leaned forward in order to gain the extra edge on the competition. In anticipation of the gun, thoughts of fighting the rugged terrain ran through the runners' minds. The sound of the gun echoed through the air as the runners took off preparing themselves for the seemingly endless next few miles.

"The start of the race was always the worst, but after the first mile or so it was like running on air. My legs just went numb," said freshman Sari Roarick.

Cross country is a sport of endurance, especially during the race. Some runners relied on each other to make it through. "I always kept my sights on Grady, always trying to catch up with him," said freshman Matt Webster.

Junior Grady Tibboel was the boys' top runner. Tibboel holds the three top times since 1989 with his best time being at the Norwalk Con-

ference meet coming in with a time of 17:25. He was also an All-Conference performer placing seventh.

Of the 35 team members 17 were freshmen, one of the youngest teams Coach Wandro has ever had. "I feel considering the young team, we accomplished a lot this year. This team was one of my best," expressed Coach Wandro.

The array of brightly colored flags formed the chute of the finish line, the last 25 yards were in sight. Runners began to step up the pace, faster and faster until the last moment

when they raced across the finish line.

Junior Andy Offenburger said the Urbandale meet was the worst because, "at the end of the race you always get cotton

mouth. It feels like you're suckin' on wood." Exhausted bodies loaded the bus preparing themselves for practice the next day. With this meet behind them a sense of accomplishment rushed through their bodies, knowing that another rigorous challenge lies ahead they look forward to a good night's sleep.

**"I always kept my sights on Grady, always trying to catch up with him."**

**-Matt Webster '96**



With a pain-stricken face, freshman Seamus Murphy receives help from Nate Nelson and coach Jim Wandro after a fall in which he twisted his ankle.

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## Swimming

By Lissa Smith and Jill Foley

## SOAKED WITH SUCCESS

Swimmers take your marks, set, beep! Screams of excitement engulfed the crowded pool as spectators and teammates cheered on the swimmers. Coach Shari Walling could be heard cheering with her famous screech. Nervous, pacing swimmers and the aroma of chlorine set the stage for a victorious meet.

The Urbandale-Johnston girls' swim team accomplished more than they ever have before, sending seven to state competition, three of which were Johnston students: Emily Skow, Sara Myer, and Angie Rittgers. The three pulled their talents together in the 400 freestyle relay, setting a school record with a time of 3:49.17 and placing sixth. "Everyone improved their time at State," said freshman Sara Myer. "Last year our team placed twentieth. By this year we placed seventh."

Coach Shari Walling said, "This was the best girls team I've had since 1978."

The females weren't the only

swimmers in the spotlight. The boys wrapped up the season with a third place finish in the National Conference, a second place finish at the district meet, an eighteenth place state finish and the team's first win over the Valley High School swimmers. They sent four Johnston swimmers to state competition: Adam Fausch, Dan Flannery, Greg Reed, and Paul Stover.

"At the beginning of the year we set goals we thought were reasonable. It ended up we made all of these and more," said senior co-captain Adam Fausch.

The divers also performed exceptionally well. Stover took fifth place at the state meet, the only JHS diver to attend. "Paul 'Stove Top' 'Stoogie' Stover ruled the boards!" exclaimed junior Greg Reed.

"Everyone improved this year. 'Bird Dog' (Mark Elliott) dropped 28 seconds in the 500 free," said junior Dan Flannery. "But even though we came out all right, we knew we were in for hell when Shari showed up for practice with a smile on her face."

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***-Dan Flannery '94***

Straining to complete his final laps of the butterfly, junior Dan Flannery expresses a look of determination. Although Flannery didn't make it to State in the butterfly, he had a seventh place finish in the 200 freestyle.

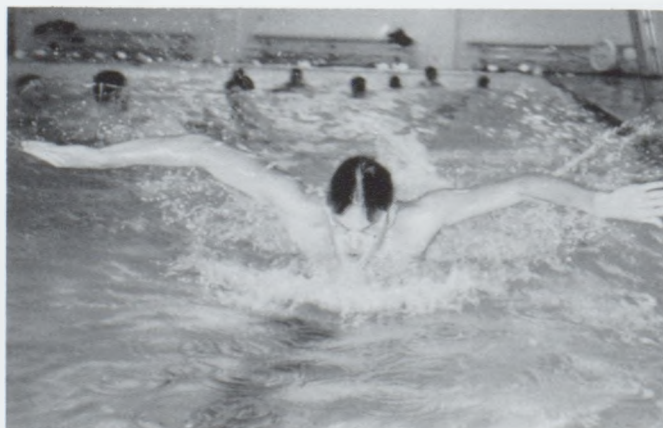


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Performing one of her best front dives, junior Susie Stratemeyer plunges gracefully into the pool.



Photo by Jill Foley

Taking a break from the "hell practice," freshman Emily Skow prepares for a lap of freestyle, her best stroke. Emily placed seventh in the 200 medley relay at state competition.

# 49 Swimming

## Girls' Swimming

Newton 68-117  
Lincoln 39-146  
Ankeny 54-128  
Dowling 104-82  
Valley 118-67  
Marshalltown 109-77  
Ames 85-101  
Indianola 106-126.5  
Newton 101.5-126.5

Season Record: 6-3

## Boys' Swimming

Ames 109-61  
S.E. Polk 21-72  
Lincoln 83-103  
Newton 64-119  
Indianola 60-126  
Ankeny 79-91  
Dowling 116-69  
Valley 90-95  
Marshalltown 66-119

Season Record: 7-2



**GIRLS SWIMMING.** Sarah Cunningham, Angie Rittgers, Sara Myer, Susie Sargent, Amber Denney, Stephanie Caleb, Tara Thieleke, Julie Owen, Emily Skow, Coach Shari Walling. **ROW 2.** Tracey Westby, Jenny Lund, Molly Irvine, Andrea Hansen, Kasi Bilbrey, Erin Casey, Jodi Zellno, Becky Miller, Sara Glasgow, Sarah Parks, Susie Stratemeyer.



**BOYS SWIMMING.** Ryan West, Bobby Johnson, Sam Burkett, Brian Johnson, Mike Busick, Zack Irvine, Yoann Hecht, John Glidewell. **ROW 2.** Ryan Horn, John Rockey, Eric Abbey, Brian Lund, Tim Hegwood, Andy Kreamer, Chris Roth, T.J. Sclorrotta. **ROW 3.** Kevin McConnel, Greg Reed, Mark Elliott, Dan Flannery, Kyle Beard, Paul Stover, Adam Fausch, Alex LeGrand, Erik Johnson.



Preparing for an Inbounds play, Todd Swanson, Johnny Moller, and Patrick Porto are stacked and ready to receive the ball.



Photo by Tom Scher

#### Varsity Soccer

Dowling 5-2  
Hoover 3-1  
Valley 1-3  
Urbondale 0-2  
Adel 2-0  
Nevada 2-3  
Lincoln 0-2  
Carlisle 3-0  
Adel 0-2  
S.C. North 2-1  
S.C. East 2-1  
Nevada 1-3  
Waukee 2-0  
Carlisle 1-0  
Waukee 8-0  
Valley 1-1

Season Record 9-6-1



SOCCKER Manager Carri Hansen, Eric Wing, Aaron Toney, Patrick Porto, Brian Block, Jeff Meyers, Mark Gay, Andrew Meston, manager Teresa White. ROW 2. Melissa Toney, Tri Le, Rian Bess, Brian Jorgenson, John Moller, Kirk Ojendyk, Todd Swanson, Ryan Woodruff, Coach Jim Wandro.



Putting all his strength and concentration into his out-of-bounds kick, Brian Billings passes to a teammate. Billings was the Dragon's top scorer, finishing the season with 27 points.



## *Varsity Soccer* By Jill Foley and Kim Ruisch

# EDGING THE COMPETITION

*This is summer and look where I am. I wait nine months to get out of this place and where do I go at this hour in the morning?!? To a stupid soccer practice. Thoughts such as these ran through the minds of tired Dragons more than once in the 1992 soccer season. Amid all the complaining, Coach Wandro's required Saturday morning practices paid off with a very successful season.*

"One of the best things about our season was the fact that everyone pulled together at the beginning to give us a fairly good record," commented goalkeeper Matt Keltner. This strong start gave them an edge ahead of the competition, which was vital in games against their toughest rivals.

Although the varsity Dragons didn't accomplish their goals of winning conference and getting nine wins, they did make some noticeable improvements. "Scoring victories and

playing well against such teams as Valley and Dowling boosted our confidence level and gave us the push we needed," commented Coach Jim Wandro.

The Dragons progressed as individuals as well as a team. Forward Brian Billings led the team with 11 goals, 5 assists, and 27 points, closely followed by Kirk Ojendyk and Mark Gay. Four

Johnston players were also chosen to be All-Conference Selections: Brian Billings, Kirk Ojendyk, Rian Bess, and Tri Le.

Lots of good memories were made along with

an impressive conference record. "Besides the fact that Coach Wandro learned everything he knows about soccer from videotapes, we finished as one of the best teams in our conference," recalled forward Mark Gay.

Sacrificing Saturday morning cartoons to run laps and do drills was a small price to pay for the eventual reward.

***"Playing well...boosted our confidence level and gave us the push we needed."***

***-Coach Wandro***



Todd Swanson engages in a head-to-head battle with his opponent, both striving for ball control.

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## Boys Varsity Basketball

By Jason Benbow and Ross Anderson

## POWERING UPWARD

Coming off an outstanding state tournament appearance one year ago, the Dragon basketball team entered this season with hopes of a return trip to Vets Auditorium.

The regular season went well, as the team coasted through the first nineteen games with just three losses.

"Our most most memorable game was when we beat Pella Christian at home. That is when everyone felt comfortable playing with each other," said sophomore Chris Danner. Two of the team's three setbacks came at the hands of Class 4-A schools Hoover and Lincoln.

Later in the season the team faced Pella Christian for one last time. The Dragons were undefeated in conference play, having won their first game at home with the Eagles. In order to win the conference title outright, they would need a victory.

The emotions were high and the spirit was willing, but the Dragons could not make it two in a row against the Eagles. The loss forced a tie for

conference champs between the two teams.

Post-season play soon followed and now was the time for the team to pull it all together. The first game, at Saydel, was closer than expected, but the Dragons came out on top.

Two days later the team faced Adel-DeSoto. Wade Sewell commented, "Adel was our best game of the season. We were really focused and pumped up to kick their butt." Next, the Dragons were headed to the substate game with Carroll-Kuemper.

With the state tournament just one victory away, the team approached the substate game knowing what had to be done. However, the Carroll-Kuemper Knights never let the Dragons into the game.

Coach Frank Sanders said, "At times we didn't play up to our potential, but as a whole the team played well together. Overall, the guys put forth a tremendous amount of effort which led to a season filled with success."

***"Adel was our best game of the season. We were really focused and pumped up to kick their butt."***

**-Wade Sewell '94**

Showing his aggression is senior Justin Allen as he battles an opponent for the loose ball. Justin averaged six rebounds a game and four points.



Photo by Jason Benbow



Photo by Jason Benbow





Senior Jeremy Heinen shows his athletic ability as he powers his way through two defenders. Jeremy averaged 14 points a game and was a four-year starter for the Dragons.



Photo by Jason Barbaw

As he skies over everyone, senior Tom Miller extends himself for the easy lay-in. Tommy was one of the six seniors that finished the season.

#### Boys' Varsity Basketball

Lincoln 69-79  
 East 66-47  
 Nevada 71-62  
 Pella Christian 69-64  
 Carlisle 67-49  
 Boone 72-66  
 Clarke 80-44  
 Saydel 80-62  
 Norwalk 75-51  
 Pella 81-65  
 Pella Christian 44-61  
 Carlisle 68-54  
 Winterset 80-74  
 Boone 59-57  
 Clarke 95-51  
 Hoover 67-71  
 Norwalk 91-75  
 Winterset 82-65  
 Perry 76-61  
 Nevada 85-60  
 Saydel 80-73  
 Adel-DeSoto 87-60  
 Carroll-Kuemper 46-67

Season Record: 19-4



**BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL.** Jason Veeder, D.J. Danner, Chris Danner, Paul Roarick, Scott Kurtz, Ryan Flynn. **ROW 2.** Manager Eric Johnson, Matt Caswell, Lane Sires, Justin Allen, Tom Miller, Jeremy Heinen, Assistant Coach Brad Johnson. **ROW 3.** Head Coach Frank Sanders, Matt Sundblad, Jeff Ross, Brian Craig, David Block, Nathan Weeter, Joe Berg, Wade Sewell.



Sophomore Brad Hartschen watches for the rebound as teammate Aaron Vis goes up for the shot in a close game against Pella Christian. The Dragons gave them some tough competition, but didn't quite pull it off. The Eagles won by two points.



Photo by Kris Tedesco

## FRESHMAN BOYS' BASKETBALL

Boone 55-62  
Nevada 75-49  
Ankeny 75-67  
North 71-47  
Pella Christian 63-75  
Winterset 94-30  
Boone 68-65  
Carlisle 76-35  
Nevada 55-44  
Norwalk 85-68  
Pella Christian 60-61  
Carlisle 46-33  
Urbandale 52-48  
Winterset 68-46  
Roosevelt 57-63  
North 77-48  
Clarke 43-45  
Norwalk 48-46

Season Record: 13-5

## SOPHOMORE BOYS' BASKETBALL

Boone 51-45  
Lincoln 49-59  
Nevada 66-73  
Pella Christian 30-38  
Winterset 61-51  
Boone 58-47  
Carlisle 39-52  
Nevada 36-47  
Pella 39-55  
Norwalk 60-91  
Pella Christian 55-67  
Carlisle 54-57  
Hoover 61-64  
Winterset 68-49  
Perry 76-50  
Nevada 73-53  
Norwalk 89-87

Season Record: 7-10



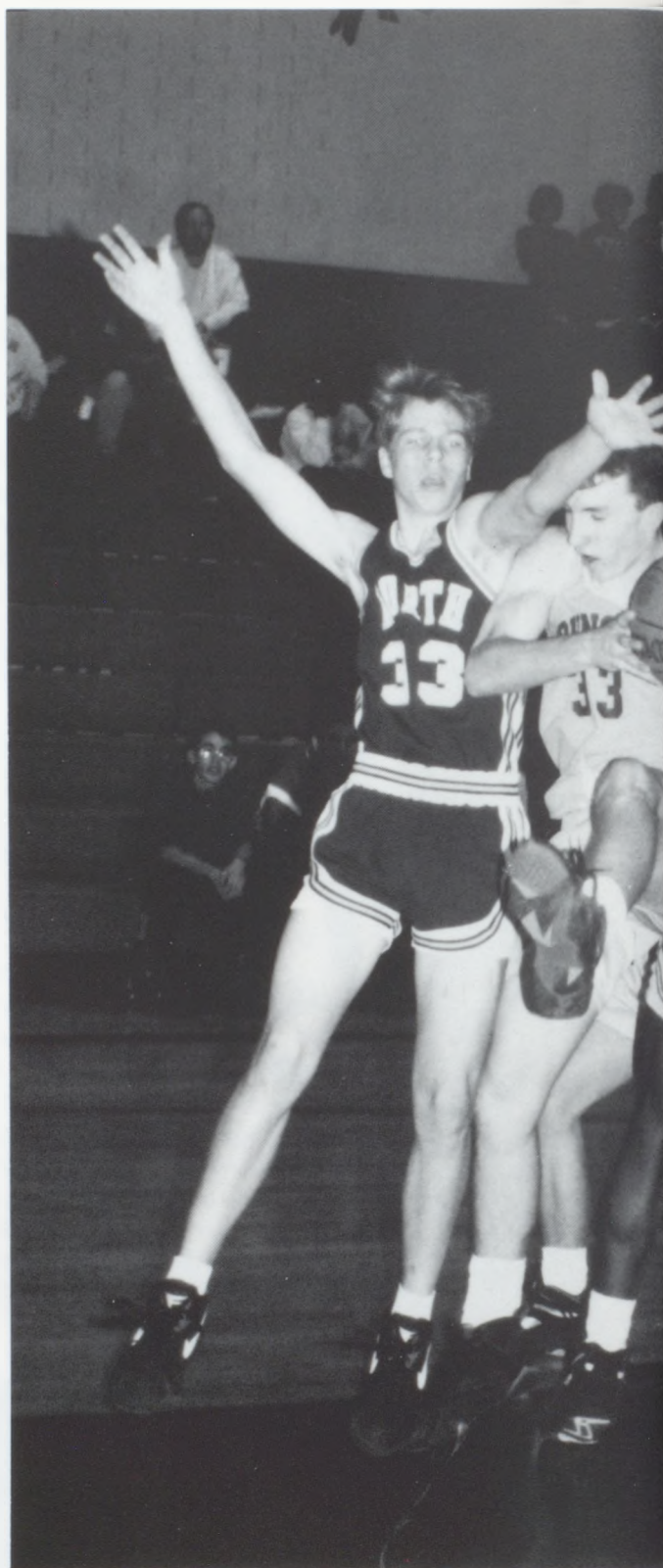
## FRESHMAN BOYS' BASKETBALL

Brian King, Ryan Gray, Jay Nichols, Matt Simpson, Josh Twedt, Tim Halling, Cory Liljedahl, Miles Cochran, Christopher Stafford, Casey Smith, Steve Ring. ROW 2. Chad Markin, Jon Vocelka, James Peterson, Travis Schuling, Aaron Cochran, Nick Iwig, Tanner Cane, Jon Ross, Matt Kunert.



## SOPHOMORE BOYS' BASKETBALL

Ryan Crowder, Donny Tyrrel, David Rittgers, Jeff Meyers, Tom Caswell. ROW 2. Matt Pace, Ben Hicks, Brad Hartschen, Jeff Fisher, Aaron Vis.



Forcing his way through the opponents, freshman Jon Ross struggles to reach the basket. Jon was the leading scorer for the freshman team, averaging 19 points a game.



## Boys JV Basketball

# BLOCKED EXPECTATIONS

By Shannon Smith and Kris Tedesco

They come in all different sizes, and everyone has them, including the freshman basketball team. What are they? Expectations.

The team had high expectations for the season. "We went two years undefeated," said freshman Chad Markin, "but when it came time to play, we were working below our potential."

It didn't take long for the team to get back on track. Coach Jerry Kinder commented, "Winning against both Ankeny and Urbandale was a great experience. We had never won against Ankeny before. It was a great game."

The players combined their talents and stamina to present an outstanding offense, averaging 62 points a game. The large number of players didn't stop them from working as a team. Tim Halling explained, "The coach was fair about playing a lot of

people, yet he still wanted to win. We usually did."

The sophomore boys weren't as optimistic about their season. After suffering the loss of four out of five starters to the varsity team, they faced an uphill battle. "We really missed the leadership of Matt Sundblad and Chris Danner," commented Scott Good, "but we came together and worked hard to fill their places."

Coach Larry Lawler agreed. "The guys had a good attitude about the situation and wanted to overcome it."

***"The coach was fair about playing a lot of people, yet he still wanted to win. We usually did."***

**-Tim Halling**

One of the biggest games of the season was against Hoover, who was 14-0 in the Metro Conference. "We were expected to lose by 30 points. We lost, but we took them into overtime and pushed them to their limit. No one expected it to be that close. It was exciting until the end," said sophomore Donny Tyrrel.

Both teams worked and played hard to achieve their expectations.



The sophomore team's point guard, Jeff Meyers, sets up for a two-pointer in an exciting game against Perry. The Dragons buried the Bluejays with a score of 76-50.



Girls' Varsity Basketball By Heidi Johns and Ross Anderson

# UPWARD BATTLE

Junior Amanda Brannan emerges from a mass of girls with the rebound. She quickly tosses the basketball to sophomore Elaine Jarnagin. Jarnagin then passes the ball across the half court line to junior Iona Doster who sees that sophomore Megan Little is open and passes it to her. Little takes the shot. After a short hesitation on the rim, the ball falls through the net.

The season was an exciting but difficult one for the girls' varsity basketball team. It was exciting because this was the last year they would play 6 on 6, but it wasn't an easy season. There were only three returning varsity players, and three starters were sophomores.

"Only having three returning varsity players put a lot more pressure on the younger players. It really showed us the value of commitment," said Jarnagin.

The lack of varsity experience had a profound effect on the season.

Out of the 18 games played, they won only four.

"It was a real struggle being a senior this year because you knew last year's team had won a lot of games. It was very hard to keep your head up," commented senior Carol Voorhees.

In the Carlisle game the Lady Dragons were able to pull together as a team in order to beat Carlisle 47 to 45. Coach Justin Carlson said, "The Carlisle game was definitely our biggest win of the year. At the time Carlisle was rated fourth. The game gave us a big boost in confidence."

Even though the season didn't fulfill the players', the coaches' and the fans' expectations, many of the players agreed that it was a learning experience. Sophomore Sarah Schoper said, "This season taught me that cooperation is the key to a successful season. One really good player can't win the game for the entire team."

***"(The season) really showed us the value of commitment."***

***-Elaine Jarnagin '95***

Junior Iona Doster soars between two defenders during the Norwalk game. Doster led the team with 326 total points.



Photo by Jason Barlow

Photo by Jason Barlow





Sophomore Megan Little extends past her opponent to get the easy jump-shot. Little was one of the three starting sophomores. She contributed 41 three-pointers during the season, breaking the school record.



Photo by Jason Benbow

Positioning herself in front of her opponent, sophomore Sarah Schoper waits to make the rebound. Schoper assisted the team with 164 rebounds. She broke the school record and was rated 11th in the state.

#### Girls' Varsity Basketball

North Polk 54-60  
 Adel-Desoto 54-67  
 Nevada 52-62  
 Pella Christian 45-39  
 Perry 32-58  
 Carlisle 47-45  
 Winterset 48-45  
 Ballard 54-80  
 Boone 50-85  
 Ballard 38-59  
 Clarke 53-76  
 Norwalk 46-51  
 Pella 37-40  
 Pella Christian 35-43  
 Saydel 55-35  
 Carlisle 51-62  
 Winterset 42-62  
 Boone 33-64  
 Clarke 32-66  
 Nevada 33-67  
 Norwalk 47-62  
 Perry 41-64

Season Record 4-18



**GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL.** Jami Kennel, Carol Voorhees, Spud Galloway, Jill Foley, Heidi Zeiger, Elaine Jamagin. **ROW 2.** Iona Doster, Amanda Brannan, Sarah Schoper, Mimi Bobst. **ROW 3.** Coach Jim Wandro, Shannon McClure, Megan Little, Jaime Johnson, Tara Oiler, Coach Justin Carlson.



# Girls JV basketball

Surrounded by Carlisle Wildcats, freshman Becky Miller still manages to hold onto the ball. Miller was a starting forward on the freshman team and also tipped the jump balls.



Photo by Jennifer Jones

## Freshman Basketball

Nevada 35-36  
 Urbandale 46-14  
 Carlisle 40-35  
 Pella Christian 29-49  
 Southeast Polk 22-42  
 Winterset 46-49  
 Boone 36-34  
 Nevada 42-45  
 Norwalk 39-36  
 Pella Christian 35-47  
 Carlisle 27-42  
 Winterset 35-37  
 Boone 32-21  
 Clarke 39-31  
 Norwalk 45-30  
 Clarke Invitational 1st  
 Dowling Tournament 1st

Season Record 6-9

## Sophomore Basketball

Nevada 41-54  
 North Polk 38-44  
 Adel 70-53  
 Pella Christian 36-67  
 Carlisle 63-69  
 Winterset 53-55  
 Ballard 53-55  
 Nevada 41-45  
 \*Norwalk 31-26  
 Carlisle 49-42  
 \*Boone 35-30  
 \*Winterset 34-38  
 \*Boone 51-30  
 Winterset 51-41  
 Pella Christian 38-42  
 \*Nevada 32-37  
 \*Pella 52-24

Season Record 7-10  
 \*5-on-5 game



**FRESHMAN BASKETBALL.** Alicia Rollison, Becky Miller, Joann Stark, Katie Jacobson. **ROW 2.** Shannon Caltrider, Lisa Shanley, Laura Block, Renee Ebke, Jamie Westcott. **ROW 3.** Megan Bengard, Jodee Kennel, Nicole Timmins, May-Lee Beckham, Sari Roarick, Coach Dave Beason.



**SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL.** Michelle Camden, Heather Wheeler, Steph Grant, Teresa White, Marisa Baumgart. **ROW 2.** Jennifer Jones, Molly Holub, Jenn Helnen, Carl Hansen, Amy Myer, Coach Rick Rynning.



Sophomore Amy Myer struggles to keep her balance as she is straddled and shoved from behind by a Nevada player. Myer started as a guard in 6 on 6 and switched between off-guard and point guard in 5 on 5.



## Girls JV Basketball

By Heidi Johns and Jennifer Jones

# CHANGING OF THE GUARD

If someone asked a girls' basketball player what a guard is, he or she could get a couple of different answers.

One player might say that a guard is a defensive specialist. Another player might say that a guard is the ball handler. Why the discrepancy? It is just one difference between 6 and 5 player basketball.

The sophomores started the season playing 6 on 6. Then after Christmas the team switched between the two games.

"The hardest thing about switching back and forth was you'd be playing one type of game all week so you couldn't practice the other type, but the next week that's the type of game you played," explained Coach Rick Rynning.

The transition was difficult and their record reflected that. Not all of the conference teams wanted to switch mid-season so Johnston had to play them 6 on 6 and other teams 5 on 5. The sophomores focused mostly on learning the new game.

***"The biggest change was the emotional level. I played more aggressively in 5 on 5 than I did in 6 on 6."***

***-Jenn Heinen '95***

"The biggest change was the emotional level. I played more aggressively in 5 on 5 than I did in 6 on 6," said sophomore Jenn Heinen. The team won 4 of their 6 5-on-5 games.

The freshmen began the season playing 5 on 5 so the switch was easier, but it was still a big change.

"The team's strength had always been their defense. Although

they learned the plays quickly, it took them awhile to recognize when to go on their own and use their athletic ability," said Coach Dave Beason.

As the season progressed the team improved. They won their last three games and two post-season tournaments, the Dowling Tournament and the Clarke Invitational.

"The most exciting games were against Winterset. We lost the first two by 3 and 4 points. Then in the tournament we beat them by 13. It was the greatest feeling!" said freshman Megan Bengard.

Although it took some time, both teams adjusted to 5 on 5.



It's a trip to the freethrow line for freshman Laura Block as she gets fouled on the shot. Block was a starting forward at the wing position for the freshman team.



## Wrestling

By Lissa Smith and Jason Benbow

# RAISING CHAMPIONS

Those early morning practices and the constant feeling of hunger while trying to maintain an exact weight proved worthwhile as the Dragons had one of their most memorable wrestling seasons ever. "It was a great year. The freshmen helped the team tremendously. The seniors went out in style with the school's best record ever," said senior Jason Rollison.

The team swept through the first fourteen meets without a loss. They then met up with Winterset and suffered their first setback of the year.

After this defeat they succeeded in winning the sectional meet at Johnston and advanced to substate competition. Here they were defeated for the second time by Winterset.

The Dragons finished the season with a 25-2 dual meet record. They won nine of ten tournaments and placed seventh overall in the state competition.

***"This was the greatest year we've ever had, with an outstanding combination of veterans and young wrestlers."***

***-Coach Frank Baltzley***

Coach Frank Baltzley said, "This was the greatest year we've ever had, with an outstanding combination of veterans and young wrestlers."

The Dragons also excelled individually. They sent eleven of fifteen wrestlers to the district meet in Nevada. Out of these eleven, seven advanced to the state tournament. They were Ben Barnes, Aaron Toney,

Joe McClung, Tim Eblen, Shawn Mahoney, Brad Beaman, and Jason Rollison.

The state tournament went well as the Dragons came away with a sixth place

finisher, Aaron Toney, an undefeated champion at 45-0, Brad Beaman, and the Class 2A Coach of the Year, Frank Baltzley.

Coach Mike Halder expressed, "I've been involved in many athletic activities, but being associated with the Coach of the Year Award and having Brad win the state title was very special to me."

Wrestling at 103 pounds, freshman Nick Mitchell keeps his opponent to the mat as he attempts to get the Dragons off to a good start.

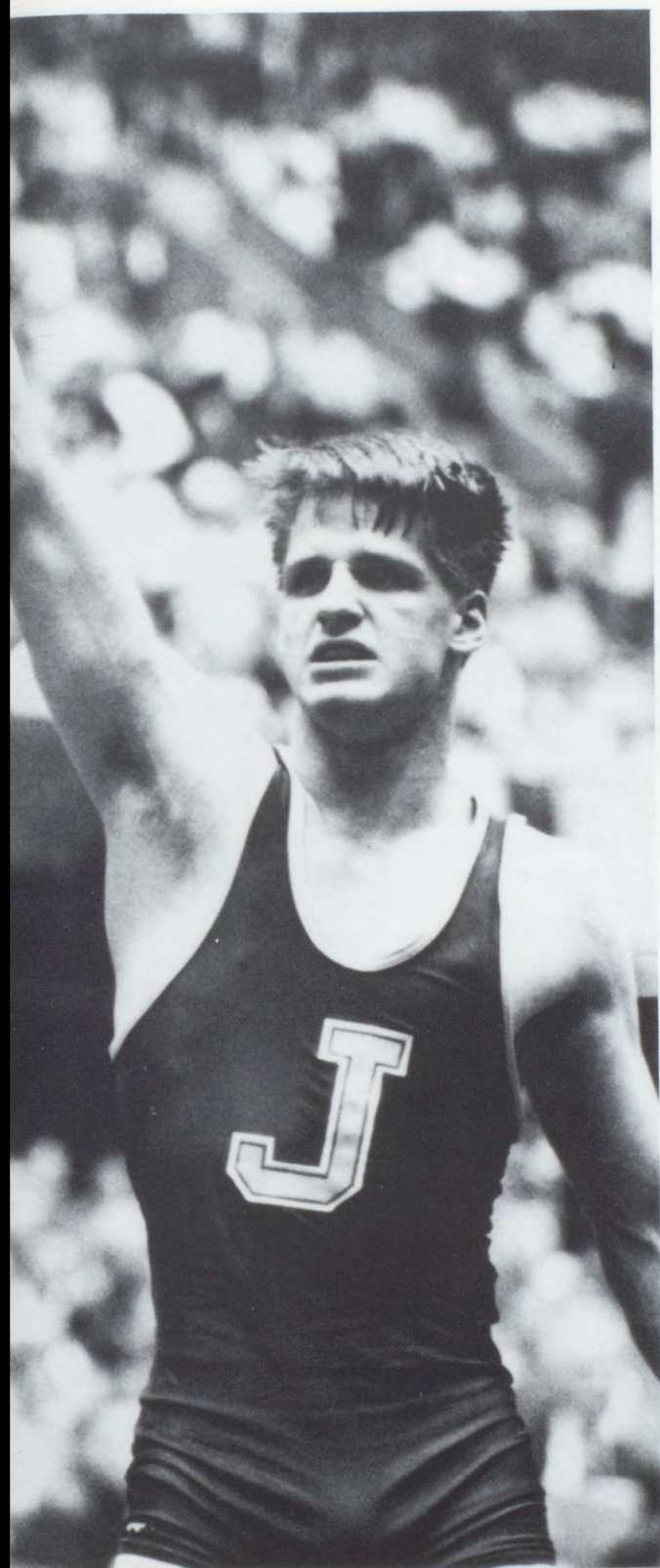


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Photo by Brian Granberg





After defeating Mike Cosgrove of Albion in the championship match, a relieved Brad Beaman allows the referee to raise his hand. He finished the year with a record of 45-0.

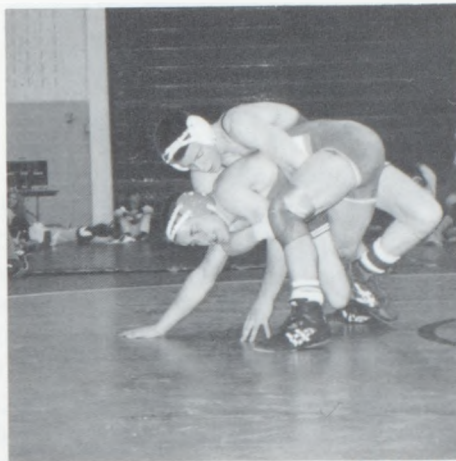


Photo by Lissa Smith

Wrapped around his opponent is sophomore Aaron Toney, who later captured sixth place in the state tournament.

Wrestling  
 Urbandale 36-26  
 Hoover 69-0  
 Bondurant Inv. 1st  
 Clarke 38-21  
 Carlisle Inv. 1st  
 Carlisle 33-25  
 Norsemen Inv. 1st  
 Boone 55-6  
 Boone Inv. 1st  
 Perry 43-15  
 Valley Dual Team 1st  
 Winterset 19-31  
 Johnston Inv. 1st  
 Norwalk 46-15  
 Valley 41-15  
 Lincoln Inv. 1st  
 Nevada 51-14  
 North Platte 57-12  
 Sectional 1st  
 Clarinda 30-25  
 Winterset 24-35  
 Districts 1st  
 State 7th

Season Record: 11-2

# 6 Wrestling



**WRESTLING.** Joe McClung, Matt Madison, Kevin Whitehill, Nick Mitchell, Shon Olson, Jordan Boley, Corey Dickey, Tim Eblen, Aaron Toney, Peter Alexander. **ROW 2.** Mgr. Crissy Hammen, Jeff Stevens, Jason Rollison, Billy Gulling, Jared Stevenson, A.J. Simpson, Mike Wilcox, Ryan Guffridge, Doug Langworthy, Brian McCleary, Shawn Mahoney, Brad Beaman, Mgr. Libby Hetherington. **ROW 3.** Mgr. April Ruggles, Mike Moon, Tim Hruska, Michael Bennett, Kevin Trees, Coach Jerry Stratton, Coach Mark Johnson, Coach Frank Baltzley, Coach Mike Halder, Mark Yeoman, Luke Smart, John Carr, Nathan Jorgenson, Mgr. Casandra Coleman.



At the state meet sophomore Elaine Jarnagin soars over a hurdle in the shuttle hurdle relay. The relay team (Jarnagin, Sarah Hartle, Amanda Brannan and Mimi Bobst) placed second with a time of 1:05:06. Jarnagin also placed seventh in the 400 meter dash and was a member of the sprint medley relay team that finished seventh.



Photo by Jennifer Jones

# Boys & Girls Track

## Boys' Track

Hoover Invitational 7th  
Jim Zabel Invitational 8th  
Urbancade Classic 3rd  
Wildcat Relays 4th  
Ames Invitational 11th  
Dragon Relays 4th  
Little Hawkeye Conference 2nd  
State 3-A 21st

## Girls' Track

Norwalk Invitational 1st  
Ballard Invitational 1st  
Bondurant Invitational 1st  
Waukees 2nd  
Nevada Invitational 1st  
Carlisle Invitational 1st  
Little Hawkeye Conference 2nd  
Newton 4th  
District 6th  
State 3-A 18th



**BOYS' TRACK.** Chen Zhao, Adam Fausch, Mike Nicodemus, Cam Christensen, Jeff Ross, Kirk Ojendyk, Brad Beaman, Jim Clark. **ROW 2.** Bryan Burkhardt, Andy Bougher, Mark Howieson, Jeff Meyers, Brian Smith, Matt Pace, Bryan Stennes, Matt Webster, Grady Tibboel. **ROW 3.** Dennis Ailers, Zac Christensen, Matt Simpson, David Rittgers, Jonny French, Derek Trobaugh, John Sederwall, Matt Sundblad, Brad Hartschen. **ROW 4.** Wade Sewell, Mike Remer, Lane Sires, Todd Pembroke, Troy Webber, Tom Caswell, Greg Tibboel, Jay Christanson. **ROW 5.** Christopher Stafford, Greg Reed, Jon Ross, Nick Iwig, Aaron Corcoran, Steve Rodriguez, Kelly Pierce, Greg Olsen.



**GIRLS' TRACK.** Danielle Englehart, Alicia Rollison, Mimi Bobst, Sarah Hartle, Andrea Adams, Bradie Knapp, Amanda Brannan. **ROW 2.** Jenny Smith, Emily Skow, Nicole Timmlins, Shannon Fisher, Amanda Fisher, Katie Jacobsen, Heather Wheeler, Teresa White, Bree Chambers, Kristin Warren. **ROW 3.** Coach Matt Hill, Rebecca Lowe, Julie Cottrell, Heidi Wych, Courtney Johnson, Shannon McClure, Elaine Jarnagin, Coach Rick Rynning, Jennifer Jones, Amy Myer, Karl Tank, Megan Franck, Sara Myer, Jamie Westcott, Mgr. Regina Bess, Coach Craig Oldham.



Determined not to hit a hurdle, junior Jimmy Clark races in the shuttle hurdle relay at the Indianola Invitational. Although the meet was delayed for an hour because of rain, it was not cancelled because it was the last chance to qualify for state.



## Boys' & Girls' Track

By Jennifer Jones and Ross Anderson

# HURDLING A RAINY SEASON

Picture a girl running so hard that she collapses at the finish line. The second place finish was a personal best. Channel 8 captured the event on the news. It was not an ideal finish, but it qualified sophomore Kari Tank for the Girls' State Track Meet.

The girls' track team qualified in five other events which reflected a successful season. They placed first or second at the regular season meets and second in the Little Hawkeye Conference. One of the most frustrating things about the season was the weather.

"Running in the rain is a challenge and an accomplishment. Hand-offs were difficult because the baton was wet and slick, but we always held on for dear life and tried our best," said sophomore Heather Wheeler. Despite the weather, the team kept a great attitude.

"When you have a great team and are having a lot of fun, you don't mind the weather," said Coach Craig Oldham.

The shuttle hurdle relay team broke the school record and finished second at the state meet. State quali-

fiers were sophomores Elaine Jarnagin and Kari Tank, juniors Amanda Brannan and Bradie Knapp, and seniors Mimi Bobst and Sarah Hartle.

The girls weren't the only ones placing at the state meet. The boys track team qualified in five events. Senior Brad Beaman placed sixth in the 110 meter high hurdles, and the 4x100 meter relay team (Zhao, Ross,

Rittgers and Hill) finished third. Sophomore Brad Hartschen also qualified.

At the beginning of the season many were unsure of how the season would go.

"The relays were all new because last year's seniors were gone. A lot of younger people had to fill in spots, and the older ones had to improve times. They did," said Rittgers.

The boys' team also finished second in the conference.

"It came down to the wire. We knew Nevada would give us a run for our money," said Coach George Sypniewski.

Although the two teams led two different seasons, the most important meets had similar **outcomes**.

***"Running in the rain is a challenge and an accomplishment."***

***-Heather Wheeler '95***



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Stretching to complete a hand off, sophomore David Rittgers accepts the baton from sophomore Brad Hartschen. The relay team of Rittgers, Tee Hill, Jeff Ross and Chen Zhao finished third at the Boys' State Track Meet with a time of 44.32 seconds.



## Boys' & Girls' Tennis

By Heidi Johns and Kris Tedesco

# ADVANTAGE JOHNSTON

The sound of falling rain signaled yet another cancelled tennis meet, just one of many for the boys' and girls' tennis teams. "Johnston's major opponent was the weather. We had seven of twelve meets rescheduled due to the rain," commented coach Shari Walling.

The girls' tennis team had a cramped season. "With forty kids out and only six courts, practicing was a real hassle," remarked assistant coach Leslie Shipp. Many of the girls had been practicing in the off-season so even with this small amount of practice they were able to play well against tough teams.

The team improved their status by doing better than ever at sectionals. Two doubles teams beat third-ranked Urbandale but lost to Valley in the finals.

However, the most exciting part of the season for the girls' tennis team was, without a doubt, the finishing of eight new courts beside the high school. The school and the community shared the effort of building the

courts. "Before we had these, Hyperion always let us use theirs. Now it's nice to be able to say that we have our own courts to give us the home court advantage," stated junior Nicole Buban.

The boys had a difficult time getting started, but not just because of missed practices. "We lost our top players from last year so we had to rebuild," said Urbandale-Johnston coach Kirk Trow. "But everyone filled in well and worked hard."

Confidence rose as they won their first few matches. They received fourth place at districts and got first

place in the East Doubles Tournament.

Competition was not the only enjoyable part of the season. Freshman Casey Smith explained, "The best thing about this season was the road trips. The whole team got along well so we always had a good time."

By providing a place for improvement, the new courts let both teams overcome their slow starts. This factor, along with motivation, helped give Johnston the **advantage**.

***"It's nice to be able to say that we have our own courts to give us the home court advantage."***

***-Nicole Buban '94***

Junior Shanna Galloway runs out of bounds to return a tough overhead. "I got the ball just in time, but my opponent thought it had bounced twice," said Galloway. "Her dad started yelling about the point, and we got into an argument right there on the court."



Photo by Heidi Johns

Photo by Kris Tedesco





Stretching to reach the ball, senior Matt Mullenix makes tennis seem effortless. Mullenix was the only Johnston boys' tennis player to play in districts. He and his partner, Erik Shields of Urbandale, lost 6-7, 6-0, 6-7 in the semi-final round to Valley.



Photo by Kris Tedesco

Awaiting the serve, freshman Laura Block prepares for a tricky return. Block started the season on JV and quickly moved up to varsity. She was one of the three freshmen girls on the varsity team.

#### Girls' Varsity Tennis

Boone 4-7  
East 9-2  
Ballard 8-3  
Ames 7-5  
Ginnell 6-5  
Norwalk 2-9  
Pella Christian 5-3  
Boone 5-6  
North Polk 10-1  
Saydel 11-0

Season Record 7-3

#### Boys' Varsity Tennis

Hoover 6-5  
Indianola 8-3  
East 10-1  
S.E. Polk 7-4  
Marshalltown 5-6  
Valley 0-11  
Ames 1-10  
Newton 4-7  
Ankeny 3-8  
Norwalk 9-1

Season Record 5-5

## Boys & Girls Tennis



**GIRLS' VARSITY TENNIS.** Tara Thieleke, Marcy Benton. **ROW 2.** Annie Mullenix, Coach Shari Walling, Emily Hicks, Kristina McMullen, Lisa Shanley, Shanna Galloway. **ROW 3.** Nicole Buban, Laura Block, Libby Herrmann, Kris Tedesco, Christina Moreno.



**BOYS' VARSITY TENNIS.** Joe McClung, Matt Lundberg, Matt Mullenix, Ryan Rynn, Casey Smith, Skeeter Thompson, Phill Roush, Mike Reed.



Senior Amy Sacco practices her putting before the sectional meet at Winterset. She won the meet with a score of 93 advancing to regional competition.



Photo by Lisa Smith

# Boys & Girls Golf

## Boys' Golf

Ankeny 162-158  
Waukee 165-170  
Nevada 172-178  
Winterset 164-182  
LHC Meet 2nd  
Saydel 149-184  
Norwalk Inv. 1st  
Sectionals 2nd  
Districts 3rd  
State 6th

Season Record: 4-1

## Girls' Golf

Boone Inv. 2nd  
Urbandale Inv. 9th  
Bondurant Inv. 2nd  
Nevada 170-156  
Winterset 158-164  
Saydel 246-271  
Carlisle 163-184  
Norwalk 173-149  
Nevada Inv. 3rd  
LHC Meet 3rd  
Sectionals 2nd  
Regionals 4th

Season Record: 3-2



**BOYS' GOLF.** Todd Johnson, Joe McClung, Joe Berg, Tom Miller. **ROW 2.** Greg Beck, Jason Benbow, Mike Mestdagh.



**GIRLS' GOLF.** Tammy Babcock, Lynzee Mallett, Heather Henning, Michelle Shattuck, Lisa Smith. **ROW 2.** Tara Oiler, Megan Kalamaja, Katy Bass, Brenda Tomenga, Kim Hartley, Coach Steve Smith.



While attempting to birdie a par four at hole number three, Junior Jason Benbow, uses a sand wedge in order to chip the ball out of the bunker at Jester Park during the LHC meet. Benbow was a medallist, shooting a 78.



# AIMING HIGH

Assembling the parts of a golf swing takes time and patience. Grip, stance, strength, weight, turn and follow-through are only a few of the key elements needed for this assembly.

"We focused on technique this season. Golf isn't as simple as it looks. If one part of the swing is just the least bit out of place, the stroke is ruined. Each girl concentrated on her own weakness at practice. Everyone shot her best round at one time or another this year and I feel it was definitely due to the focus on technique," said Coach Steve Smith.

The girls' golf team saved its best golf for the right time. Johnston came away with a second place finish in the sectional meet at Winterset. This advanced them to regional play at Atlantic. The girls showed commitment by traveling to Atlantic for a practice round on a Sunday afternoon.

"I wasn't real excited about taking a two hour road trip just for a practice round, but I found it paid off. There weren't any surprises the day of the meet. I knew what club to hit and where to hit it. It helped lower my

score," said senior Heather Henning.

The team fell short of winning the regional tournament by 43 strokes. Although disappointed with this loss, they were satisfied with the chance to compete at the regional tournament.

Opening the season with their only defeat, the boys' team pulled together to overpower the rest of their opponents. They made it all the way

to the state tournament, finishing third in the district meet at Carroll.

"The weather was good for the district meet, and the kids played well. We were only six strokes away from Carroll, who won the district on their home course, and they are one of the better teams in the state," said Coach Frank Sanders.

The Dragons headed to the 3A State Golf Tournament for the second straight year. "We didn't place as high as expected. Most of us were disappointed with the way we played. We had the chance to win but were unable to pull through. The pressure of winning just got to us all," said senior Greg Beck.

***"We focused on technique this season. Golf isn't as easy as it looks."***

***-Coach Steve Smith***



Placing her ball in a better position, Junior Tammy Babcock takes advantage of the pick- and- place winter rule. This rule gave golfers relief from poor course conditions.

Photo by Lissa Smith

Photo by Lissa Smith



# Varsity Baseball By Kim Ruisch and Shannon Smith CAUGHT IN THE ACT

With sweat dripping from his face, pitcher Chad Barnes concentrates on keeping a firm grip on the ball. He squints his eyes to block out the sun and the cheers of the opposing team. The score was 2-1. Johnston led over the defending state champions, Decorah, in the bottom of the seventh inning. Barnes had two strikes on the Decorah batter. Coach Mahoney signals a curve ball. Depending on the next pitch, this could be the final game of the season.

The most successful Dragon baseball season in seven years had taken JHS students away from their normal summer activities and out to Mr. Mahoney's prized field.

This success wasn't just handed to the team, however. Because of the young defensive line-up, the Dragons had to make up for inexperience in the field with hard work. Justin Allen said, "We really learned a lot about the game of baseball. You don't always have to have the greatest athletes to be a championship

team."

The combination of competitive drive and team determination presented a dilemma for coach Jim Mahoney. "With twenty some outstanding players, it was hard to make up a line-up of only eleven guys," said Mahoney.

The road had been paved for Districts and the Dragons went head to head with Saydel. Johnston won 7-4 against the Eagles. Nathan Hornback commented, "The Saydel game was my favorite. Jason Rollison's grand slam

brought a lot of life to our team that rode with us to state."

Barnes throws a curveball. The Decorah batter swings and misses, but the ball ricocheted off home plate and past catcher Erik Halling. Decorah scored a run opening up for an eventual win, Decorah 3, Johnston 2.

Although disappointed with their last game, the Dragons came together. Cam Christensen agreed: "We've started a tradition that will last for many years."

***'You don't always have to have the greatest athletes to be a championship team.'***

***-Justin Allen '93***

Swinging at a low pitch, hitter Jeremy Heinen hammers the ball into left field. Heinen finished the season with a .449 batting average.



Photo by Tom Schuler

Photo by Johnston Advance





Fielding a grounder, second baseman Mike Nicodemus is caught in the act. Nicodemus was also one of the Dragon's top pitchers.



Photo by Tom Scheller

Second baseman Jason Veeder goes for a double play in the State Tournament game against Decorah.

#### Varsity Baseball

Estherville 1-10  
Ames 10-5  
Southeast Polk 4-9  
Urbandale 10-4  
Urbandale 9-3  
Lincoln 3-5  
Ballard 8-9  
Linn Mar 3-12  
Lincoln 3-5  
East 9-10  
Norwalk 14-4  
Boone 15-6  
Ankeny 12-4  
Carlisle 5-11  
Nevada 11-4  
Ames 10-12  
Boone 7-2  
Dowling 5-10  
Norwalk 5-2  
Winterset 6-0  
Norwalk 6-2  
Atlantic 11-0

Ballard 17-2  
Norwalk 10-0  
Nevada 5-4  
Pella Christian 4-0  
Carlisle 8-4  
Dowling 0-5  
Pella Christian 11-5  
Winterset 4-11  
Clarke 15-1  
Clarke 11-1  
Saydel 7-4

#### Districts

Dallas Center Grimes 5-1  
Ballard 14-0

#### Substate

Winterset 11-9  
St. Alberts 5-3  
Decorah 2-3

Season Record: 27-13



**BASEBALL.** Matt Mullenb, Jim Proehl, Jason Veeder, Chris Doster, Mike Nicodemus, Chad Barnes. **ROW 2.** Erik Halling, Greg Beck, Jason Rollison, Seth Chambers, Tim Mitchum, Matt Caswell, Scott Kurtz. **ROW 3.** Nathan Hornback, Jeremy Heinen, Cam Christensen, Brad Grant, Brad Cutler, Bob Bittner, Justin Allen, Brian Grant.



Tera Bultenwerf releases the ball for a third strike. Bultenwerf was the leading pitcher with a 2.76 earned-run average.



Photo by Heidi Zaiger

# SOFTBALL

**Varsity Softball**  
 Pella Christian 0-2  
 Southeast Polk 7-10  
 Norwalk 1-7  
 North 8-4  
 Carlisle 1-11  
 Boone 1-5  
 Nevada 0-9  
 D.C. Grimes 17-5  
 Pella 3-1  
 Waukee 4-3  
 Southeast Polk 3-4  
 Clarke 2-6  
 Prairie City-Monroe 7-5  
 Roosevelt 5-1  
 Winterset 9-7

Indianola 3-4  
 Dowling 0-10  
 Norwalk 1-5  
 Boone 3-4  
 Carlisle 0-8  
 Carroll 1-5  
 Iowa Falls 9-4  
 Nevada 4-3  
 Roosevelt 2-7  
 North 4-6  
 Clarke 5-2  
 Winterset 3-7  
 Pleasantville 0-5  
 Mart.-St. Mary's 2-5  
 Earlham 5-2  
 Pella Christian 6-16  
 Saydel 4-5

Season Record: 14-22



**VARSITY SOFTBALL** Emily Foval, Jami Kennel, Stephanie Grandia, Bat boy Christopher, Heather Ellis, Crissy Hammen, Steffanie Powers. **ROW 2.** Janie Jeffries, Jenny Duckworth, Jenni Butz, Kara Barney, Amanda Brannan, Christy Jones. **ROW 3.** Coach Shari Wailing, Corby Cavanaugh, Mikee Grimes, Tara Oller, Jaime Johnson, Tera Bultenwerf, Coach Joleen Rude.



**BASE HIT!** Crissy Hammen concentrates on the ball as she swings. Hammen played second base for the Lady Dragons.



Varsity Softball By Jason Benbow and Carol Voorhees

# FOCUSING IN

As the 1992 softball season approached, the Lady Dragons looked toward it with much enthusiasm. They had been gradually improving with each year and this trend continued as they finished with a 14-22 record.

"We have a lot of really good individual athletes, but we couldn't pull it all together as a team. We had our ups and downs—we just needed to be more consistent," said Jaime Johnson.

Despite their 3-11 conference record, individually the team recieved some high honors. Jenny Duckwoth and Mikee Grimes were named to the Dowling Classic Team as well as the North Tournament Team. Tera Buitenwerf was also placed on the North Tournament Team while Jaime Johnson walked away with tournament MVP honors. Johnson was later named to the All-Conference Second Team.

One of the strongpoints of the

team was four good pitchers which made for an excellent rotation. Leading the way was Tera Buitenwerf with a 6-13 record and a 2.76 earned-run average.

Hitting, however, was one of the team's weaknesses. Johnson led the Lady Dragons with a .294 batting average which included a team high of 35 hits and one home run.

When asked about the year, head coach Shari Walling said, "Throughout the season we got better and better. We were a young team that stuck together."

Although Walling thought the season went well, players wished for a better record. Jami Kennel said, "We hoped for a better season, but we couldn't pull it off with our tough schedule. We were a lot better than our record **showed.**"

***"We had our ups and downs - we just needed to be more consistent."***

***Jaime Johnson '94***

Varsity  
Softball



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After receiving the pitch, catcher Jenny Duckwoth attempts to get the out at second. She was named to both the Dowling Classic Team and the North Tournament team.



# FINE ARTS

Photo by Heidi Rader

"You'lla pound my face in  
over my deada body,"  
proclaims Brandon Beck  
(Luigi) as he threatens Joe  
Bernard (Mr. Morlock) in the  
all school play, held on April  
second.







# WORD of Mouth

From the outstanding feats of Innovation, to the energetic jazz band shows, to the emotional presentations of the drama department, JHS has produced powerful groups of people. With this spirit and ready determination, participating students definitely had the last **word**.

*-Jill Foley & Heidi Zeiger*

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Fine Arts Division



Photo by Heidi Zeiger

Dramatically playing "Sweet Sorrow," Brendan Saplenza performs at the winter band concert.



Junior Joy Phillips and sophomore Brenton Brown try to earn points for facial expression during the number "Stuff Like That There." This upbeat song included a lot of difficult movements and dancing.



Photo by Kyla Tedesco

# Swing Choir, Sound Advice



**INNOVATION.** Suzy Hawkins, Doug Kruse, Julie Cottrell, Heidi Zeiger, Bridget Nichols, Tiffany Zortman, Brenton Brown. **ROW 2.** Matt Nyberg, Amy Martin, Martin Pooch, Amy Tomenga, Brandon Beck, Brendan Sapientza, Aaron Homback, Kim Ruisch, Mindi Musal. **ROW 3.** S.W. Winrich, Libby Hermann, Dani Dook, Joy Phillips, Emily Hicks, Scott Good, Jimmy Stark, Matt Caswell, Jill Olsen, Andy Offenburger, Jill Wilcox, Stephanie Grandia, Todd Swanson. **ROW 4.** Chad Piper, Leann Oxley, Jamie Woodward, Kory Kilbourne, Jason Cox, Crissy Hammen, Jason Sturtz, Jon Yanders, Amy Hunt, Justin Christy.



**SOUND ADVICE.** Megan Bengard, Bethany Ashby, Heather Smith, Leanna Morris, Jen Porto, Krys-T Muselman, Sarah Rains, Michelle Wilg, Jamie Westcott. **ROW 2.** Marisa Baumgam, Jennifer Gilchrist, Emily Skow, May-Lee Beckham, Jenn Morrison, Shannon Hildreth, Emily Gelormino, Jennifer Osborn, Amy Ungenfelder, Jenny Bonnetta. **ROW 3.** Mark Hornback, Beth Koch, Crystal Smith, Regina Bess, John Davis, Megan Franck, Pat McGowan, Karl Tank, Joann Stark, Kevin McConnell. **ROW 4.** Kristin Warren, Tom Caswell, Annie Mullenix, Danny Bright, Jennifer Gray, Elaine Jarnagin, Renee Ebke, Becky Floren. **ROW 5.** Bryan Burkhardt, Zac Christensen, Sarah Schoper, Ben Hicks, Rachel Graaf, Aaron Gilmore.





By J. Jones & K. Tedesco

# KEEPING IN FOCUS

Don't mess up. Look straight ahead. Keep singing. Focus. This intensity was felt by members of Sound Advice. For the first time ever, the group placed at the Jefferson Show Choir Invitational.

"No one expected us to place, and it was great to be a part of it," said sophomore Jeff Nieting.

One reason for Sound Advice's success was due to a new attitude and a more sophisticated look. The traditional black skirts were tossed out and classy sequined dresses were purchased. The choir lived up to this look by receiving an "Excellent" rating at the state contest. They didn't place at the Urbandale Invitational, but the group was satisfied with their performance.

Innovation's year was also intense. They earned a "Superior" rating at State and placed 1st runner-up at Urbandale.

Their show at Jefferson didn't go as well as they'd hoped. They spent extra time and effort

making a faked injury appear real in their controversial novelty number.

"My favorite part was watching the people's faces," said junior Joy Phillips. "There were even people running to get ice packs and calling the medics."

Some viewers were so worried about the incident that they failed to see the humor when they realized that it was planned. Innovation did not score enough points to qualify for the finals.

Innovation and Sound Advice ended the year by putting on a spring show entitled "An Evening with the Stars."

"I was very proud of both choirs," said instructor Jodell White. "I saw a high level of commitment and intensity throughout the year."



Photo by Kite Tedesco



Photo by Kite Tedesco

In an attempt to win back freshman Bryan Burkhardt's love, freshmen Renee Ebke and Megan Bengard plead for his forgiveness. The song "The Argument" was part of Sound Advice's contest set, which they performed at the Jefferson Show Choir Invitational.

It's easy to see that sophomores Jenn Morrison, John Davis, Elaine Jarnagin and Aaron Vis love their music. Their enthusiasm for the piece "My Music" made the show even more exciting to watch.



By Kristen De Groat

# OVERCOMING OBSTACLES

The marching band, colorguard and concert band were challenged in an unusual way this year. One problem concerned the band greatly: over the summer Mr. Albrecht's cancer had returned.

The marching band and colorguard worked hard trying to make it easier for Mr. Albrecht during practice. "We tried to be more efficient on the field," said junior Stacia Purviance. "We knew Mr. Albrecht didn't have the energy to fight us."

However, the concert band dealt with a tougher problem: Mr. Albrecht's absence. This meant he wouldn't be able to conduct the spring concert or at State Large Group Contest.

Mr. Vic Anderson, director of the Des Moines Big Band, took over while Albrecht was gone. "It was difficult to come in at this stage of the game with the spring concert and State Large Group Contest only a few weeks away. I was glad the band was receptive to my leadership," said Mr. Anderson.

Even with everyone's effort one obstacle was not overcome. The band received a II rating at State Large Group instead of a I, which it had received for the past seven years. "Most of us love Mr. Albrecht, and when you're that close to a teacher you tend to work harder for him. In this case it just wasn't enough," said junior Ian Wardlow.

Even though the band didn't receive a I rating, the spring concert went off without a hitch. Mr. Albrecht's surgery was successful. "I was glad he was able to return to his rightful position as director," said sophomore Michelle Camden.

Leading the band with a cadence, Junior Matt Keltner plays the quad toms during the Homecoming parade. The marching band performed at every home football game as well as the parade.

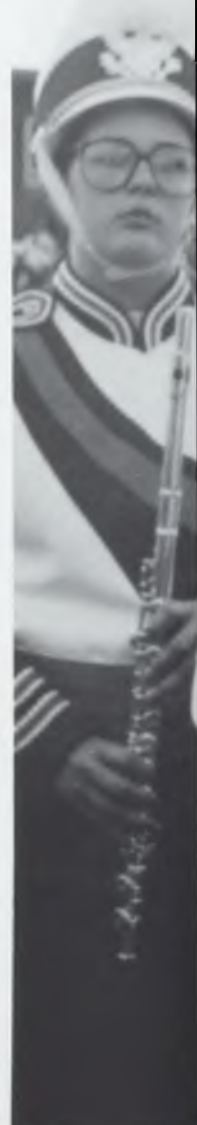


Photo by Joanna Blockley

Freshman Heather Tuttle performs "Beauty and the Beast," one of the five songs the concert band played at the winter concert.



Photo by Heidi Zeigler





"Order arms and hit!" Senior Eryn Houle waits for the next command to be called. The Colorguard performed routines to every song, including its feature "Everybody Needs Somebody to Love."

**BRASS/PERCUSSION.** Danielle Doak, Jordan Boley, Jason Benbow, Jimmy Proehl, Mark Stookey, Bryan Burkhardt. **Row 2.** Jennifer Gilchrist, Patrick Porto, Brendan Sapierza, Justin Christy, Bryan Stennes, Ian Wardlow, S.W. Winrich, Joann Stark. **Row 3.** Susie Statemeyer, Jaime Woodward, Grady Tibboel, Brian Stole, Ben Hicks, Ed Rustan, Andy Offenburger, Tara Oiler, Beth McAdams, Shalon Clark. **Row 4.** Matt Keltner, Lance Smith, Jason Sturtz, Cory Kiper.



**WOODWINDS.** Marne Myers, Jill Norviel, Jill Hansen, Amy Martin, Noel Wagner, Tammy Proehl. **Row 2.** Jennifer Osborn, Stephanie Grandia, Katie Jacobsen, Heather Smith, Rachel Graff, Heather Tuttle, Steffanie Harper, Suzy Kuenkel. **Row 3.** Chrissie Hussman, Brenda Mitchell, Marisa Hansen, Kasi Bilbrey, Jennifer Burklund, Kristin Warren, Christy Jones, Julie Kotz, Crissy Hammen, Jen Porto, Corby Cavanaugh. **Row 4.** Stacia Purviance, Amy Myers, Jodi Thompson, Joy Phillips, Chris Sundell, DeAnn Hart, Andrea Beck. **Row 5.** Renee Ebke, Jaime Howard, Megan Kalamaja, Courtney Johnson.



**COLORGUARD.** Kristen De Groat, Emily Hicks, Eryn Houle, Heather Henning, Amy Martin, DeAnn Hart.



**LOW WOODWINDS.** Danielle Williams, Sara Myers, Jenny Butz, Teresa Lane, Leann Oxley, Shannon McClure. **Row 2.** Jimmy Stark, Tim Rains, Brandon Beck, JP Clark, Doug Kruse. **Row 3.** Greg Tibboel, Martin Pooch, Jeff Backstrom, Matt Warren, Bobby Johnson. **Row 4.** Jennifer Jones, Heidi Johns, Michelle Camden, BethAnn Nelson, Melghan Moore, Jaime Lowe.

Photo by Carol Voorhees



Senior Jimmy Stark performs a solo in 'Love Is Here to Stay,' one of the ballads the jazz band played.



**JAZZ BAND.** Julie Kotz, Matt Keltner, Mark Stookey, Danielle Doak, Shannon McClure. **Row 2.** Grady Tibboel, Patrick Porto, Brendan Saplenza, Justin Christy, Bryan Stennes, S.W. Winrich. **Row 3.** Tara Oiler, Joann Stark, Andy Offenburger, Eryn Houle, Jimmy Stark. **Row 4.** Matt Warren, Emily Hicks, Bobby Johnson.



**CONCERT CHOIR SOPRANO/TENOR.** Matt Nyberg, Jimmy Stark, Brendan Saplenza, Brenton Brown, Aaron Hornback, S.W. Winrich. **Row 2.** Jennifer Gilchrist, Bridget Nichols, Mindi Musal, Emily Hicks, Jenn Morrison, Jennifer Gray, Suzy Hawkins, Beth Koch. **Row 3.** Karl Tank, Jaime Woodward, Diana Linnehan, Dawn Liekweg, Danielle Doak, Stephanie Grandia, Marne Myers, Leann Oxley, Jill Olsen, Kim Rutsch.



**CHORUS ALTO/BASS.** Aaron Gilmore, T.J. Anderson, Chris Sundell, Sean Bates, Jeff Nieting, Matt Sundblad, Brian Stole, Lee Fillingsness. **Row 2.** Vanessa Andrews, Kristen Angstrom, Annie Mullenx, Renee Ebke, Jennifer Jones, Kristy Wilges, Laura Block, Tara Guttridge Leslie Phipps, Megan Bengard, Christina Moreno. **Row 3.** Christy Buchmeyer, Amy Brehmer, Stephanie Jones, Melissa Kuchel, Kelly Kohles, Amy Lingenfelder, Stefanie Harper, Christine Sable, Sara Schreurs, Regina Bess, Laura Watral, Robin Sanders, Kara Young, Rishel Bess. **Row 4.** Corby Cavanaugh, Melinda Brusch, Amy Bidney, Sarah Rains, Michelle Wlig, Danielle Englehart, Amanda DeReus, Gretchen Powell, Kristin McConnell, Tami Carter, Monica Wlig, Sarah Hamilton, Nikki Phillips.



Photo by Heidi Zeiger



**CHORUS SOPRANO/TENOR.** Brad Sturtz, Mark Hornback, Ryan West, Danny Bright, John Davis, Shannon Hildreth, Matt Madison, Elliot Barstow, Pat McGowan, David Rodriguez, Kevin McConnell. **Row 2.** Chrissie Huisman, Crystal Smith, Brenda Mitchell, Heather Smith, Marcie Peterson, Emily Skow, Lisa Henning, Emily Gelomino, Marisa Baumgart, Bethany Ashby. **Row 3.** Emily Medina, Andrea Beck, Becky Floren, Rhiannon Thoreson, Megan Franck, Erin Fisher, Marta Rekalde. **Row 4.** Juli Morgan, Jamie Westcott, Renee Howleson, Megan Kalamaja, Meighan Moore, Molly Holub, Sarah Schoper, Courtney Lester, Brenda Tomenga.



**CONCERT CHOIR ALTO/BASS.** Todd Swanson, Scott Good, Zac Christensen, Chad Piper, Bryan Burkhardt. **Row 2.** Ben Hicks, Matt Caswell, Ryan Crowder, Tom Caswell, Jeff Nieting, Aaron Vis, Martin PookK. **Row 3.** Jon Yanders, Justin Christy, Andy Offenburger, Doug Kruse, Jason Sturtz, Brandon Beck, Joe Barnard. **Row 4.** Leanna Morris, Ami Ustrud, Amy Hunt, Joanna Stookey, Amy Martin, Amy Tomenga. **Row 5.** Joann Stark, Stacia Purviance, Chrissy Hammen, Elaine Jamagin, Tiffani Zortman, Libby Hermann, Julie Cottrell, Jennifer Osborn, Jill Wilcox.



By Jason Benbow  
& Kristen De Groat

# BENEFITTING EFFORTS

Working with other groups for a combined concert was a big part of the Sr. High Chorus and Jazz Band. Both groups worked hard on these concerts to entertain crowds with their musical abilities.

The chorus participated in three concerts including the combined concert on February 23. The concert consisted of all the choirs from fourth grade through the high school. The chorus sang two songs by itself.

The concert's finale was, "A Yankee Doodle, Stars and Stripes, Grand Old American Review." It was sung by all the choirs. "This was an important concert for the younger kids because they were able to see and hear how the chorus works. It was also important for the chorus to see what an impact they have on the kids," said choral director Jodell White.

The jazz band performed at three concerts and four contests. Their big project was

the benefit concert for Mr. Albrecht. All proceeds went to him to help pay the medical expenses from his brain tumor.

The concert was held on May 11, and consisted of JHS jazz band, Hoover jazz, Valley I and II, and Bob Weast and his Swingin' Big Band. This concert was very important to all the jazz band members. "Mr. Albrecht has given so much to us. He's a friend more than a teacher. We thought that this was a good way to give something back," said senior member Marne Myers.

Whether efforts were for the benefit of one, or a community, the chorus and jazz band used their musical talents to the best of their abilities.



Junior JonYanders concentrates on finding the beat while singing "Ahrirang." This song was part of the combined concert in February.

Senior Marne Myers waits for her entrance in "Shuffle, Cut and Deal" by countering rests in her music.

Photo by Heidi Zeiger

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Jazz Band, Sr. High Chorus



By Kim Ruisch & Shannon Smith

# LASTING IMPRESSIONS

"I think it's one of the things I'll miss most about high school," said senior Bridget Nichols. Whether lasting or temporary, the thirteenth annual Olde English Madrigal Dinner made its impression.

The dinner, put on each year by the concert choir, made the usual temporary impressions: the smell of fresh greenery in the "Great Hall" of Meredith Drive's gymnasium; tears mixing with candlelight, the wax falling to the floor to be ironed up later; full stomachs sent home full of wassail and flaming pudding. But the lasting impact made each year keeps the audience coming back for more. Alumni, parents of present and past students, friends and teachers enjoy beginning the holiday season with the Madrigal Dinner.

"I keep coming back and taking many guests because it's an exceptional performance by high school students," said JHS language teacher Joyce Rash.

Plenty of hard work goes into pulling off such a large production. Excused classes and late night practices are necessary for the finished, polished product.

"Scheduling the dinner so early in December made us all a little nervous. The choir knew we couldn't let our standards of excellence diminish," commented director Jody White.

Small vocal ensembles performed throughout the evening and the concert choir finished the night with a short concert.

Students were proud of their work's result, and as junior Heidi Zeiger concluded, they would recommend it to anyone. "I'm confident our dinner is worth seeing. This year two friends of mine drove from Minneapolis to see the dinner and returned the same night, arriving at 4:00 a.m. with classes the next day."

Madrigal

"I have longed for thy saving health," pray royal court members Jeff Featherstone and Stephanie Grandia while they bless the evening meal.



Photo by Don Ruesch

"Don't worry, fair maiden! I am here to save you!" boasts Don Quixote, played by Brenton Brown, while actor Brandon Beck looks on.



Photo by Kim Ruisch





Checking his reflection one final time, Jester Brendan Sapienza makes sure his Impression will be a lasting one.

# 88 Madrigal

Photo by Kim Rulsch



**CONCERT CHOIR.** Danielle Doak, Amy Martin, Crissy Hammen, Rachel Graaf, Jennifer Osborn, Libby Hermann, Joy Phillips, Scott Good, Jennifer Gray, Julie Cottrell, Kim Rulsch, Andy Offenburger, Suzy Hawkins, Leann Odey. **ROW 2.** Doug Kruse, S.W. Winrich, Brandon Beck, Jason Sturtz, Heidi Zeiger, Karl Tank, Tom Caswell, Beth Koch, Jeff Nieting, Chad Piper, Jaime Woodward, Joann Stark, Mike Remer, Jenn Morrison, Ryan Crowder, Baine Jamagin, Jon Yanders, Jennifer Gilchrist, Dawn Uekweg, Leanna Morris, Aaron Vis, Stacia Purviance, Aaron Hornback, Ben Hicks, Zac Christensen. **ROW 3.** Martin Pook, Amy Hunt, Blythe Burkhardt, Bridget Nichols, Jill Wilcox, Brenton Brown, Joanna Stookey, Matt Caswell, Emily Hicks, Justin Christy, Amy Tomenga, Kory Kilbourne, Tiffany Zortman. **ROW 4.** Jimmy Stark, Matt Nyberg, Marne Myers, Todd Swanson, Jill Olsen, Joe Barnard, Mindi Musal, Jeff Featherstone, Stephanie Grandia, Ami Ustrud, Diana Linnehan, Brendan Sapienza.



"Stand up and yell your Dragon Roar!" cheers senior captain Linda Kinney, helping to pump up the Dragon crowd.



Photo by Lisa Smith

**POM SQUAD.** Heather Zortman, Janie Jeffries, Co-Captain Tiffany Zortman, Suzy Hawkins. **ROW 2.** Christine Lim Yoo, Andrea Willems, Jaime Johnson, Captain Linda Kinney, Joy Phillips, Bradie Knapp. **ROW 3.** Jenny Duckworth, Libby Felton, Emily Hicks.



**J.V. BASKETBALL CHEERLEADERS.** Tami Carter, Lisa Musselman, Monica Wilg. **ROW 2.** Kim Hartley, Danielle Englehart, Annie Mullenix.



**VARSITY BASKETBALL CHEERLEADERS.** Co-Captain Tiffany Zortman, Heather Zortman, Joy Phillips. **ROW 2.** Bree Chambers, Captain Linda Kinney, Jenny Duckworth.



**VARSITY WRESTLING CHEERLEADERS.** Lara Newsom, Danielle Willey, January Rippel. **ROW 2.** Michelle Shattuck, Captain Lissa Smith, Co-Captain Bradie Knapp.





By Kim Ruisch & Lissa Smith

# STRUTTING THEIR STUFF

The typical stereotype of cheerleading as a group of party girls who care more about their hair than the just-scored touchdown is quickly being proven wrong by the hard work and competitive spirit being put into the sport. This difference was made evident in the 1992-93 JHS cheerleaders and pom squad.

The season began with an invitation to perform at the 1992 Kickoff Classic football game. Johnston was one of nine squads chosen to participate in half time festivities at Meadow Lands Stadium, New Jersey.

The girls spent approximately eight hours a day rehearsing dance moves, perfecting stunts and learning field positions. Sophomore Heather Zortman remarked about stunt practices: "The production woman wanted everything perfect. We had a great basket toss, but she knew how to make it even better. She pushed me up in the air,

squeezing my hips so hard I thought they would break. But it made the toss better, and we looked great during the actual performance."

The trip East proved worthwhile. The squads were able to incorporate many of the ideas and techniques learned in New York into new and old cheers and dances.

"There were a few tough moments, but overall everyone worked well together. We had some of the best squads ever," expressed Captain Linda Kinney.

Whether strutting their stuff in front of thousands or yelling their Dragon Roar in Johnston, Iowa, the cheerleaders and pom squad performed and participated, disproving stereotypes and raising enthusiasm to a higher level.

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Cheerleading



**J.V. WRESTLING CHEERLEADERS.** Kirsten Angstrom, Kristy Wilges. **ROW 2.** Jane Zirkelbach, Amanda DeReus, Tara Guttridge.



**J.V. FOOTBALL CHEERLEADERS. CLOCKWISE FROM TOP.** Shannon Fisher, Jodee Kennel, Amanda Fisher, May-Lee Beckham.



**VARSITY FOOTBALL CHEERLEADERS.** Bree Chambers, Lisa Smith, Bradie Knapp, Heidi Zelger. **ROW 2.** Captain Tiffany Zortman, Elaine Jamigan, Carol Voorhees, Libby Felton. **ROW 3.** Teresa White, Heather Zortman. **ROW 4.** Co-Captain Linda Kinney, Jenny Duckworth, Joy Phillips.

Performing at a home basketball game, junior Jaime Johnson does one of the year's favorite pom squad routines, "Rhythm Is A Dancer."

Photo by Lissa Smith



By Kristen De Groat & Joanna Stookey

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# SAVIOR

Two days before opening night the stage and props were all set. The lights, make-up and costumes were all prepared. Everything was ready; everything, that is, but the lead.

The spring play, Rest Assured, was close to being a catastrophe. Senior Joe Barnard, who had been cast as the lead, became ill and was not able to perform. After much deliberation junior Matt Nyberg was asked to fill in. "It was a very tough decision to make, and it was made even tougher because we had so little time until opening night. But, we knew if we put Matt in he would be able to do it and carry us through," said student director, sophomore Jill Norviel.

Nyberg was excused from two days of classes to prepare for the challenge. "I was scared of ruining the play for everyone. I had to learn everything; when to move

and where to sit," said Nyberg.

He also used a small microphone which fit inside his ear to hear cues given by Norviel. "I was nervous because there were lots of times when I knew what Matt's next line was supposed to be, but I couldn't say anything because it would have gotten garbled up with what Jill was trying to tell him through the mike," commented senior Joanna Stookey, who played the part of Nyberg's wife.

Rest Assured premiered on April 2. The play was about a rich businessman, played by Nyberg, and how he changed his ways and became kind and generous. "I loved this play because of its meaning," said director Joan Kielhorn, "and with everything falling apart, the cast pulled together to make it even more meaningful."

"The combination of humor and drama by all the participants definitely made the play worthwhile and very entertaining," stated freshman audience member Bryan Burkhardt.

The near catastrophe was avoided and the play was preserved.

Spring  
84  
Play

"I'm too busy to die!" exclaimed senior Joe Barnard to his secretary sophomore Kelly Kohles during play rehearsal. While unable to perform due to sickness, Barnard became an honorary student director and continued to help with the play's progress.

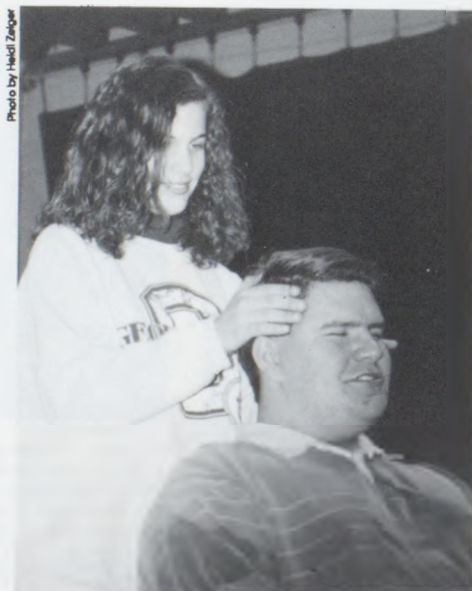


Photo by Heidi Zeiger

Mrs. Morlock (Joanna Stookey), Joe Lanconi (Chris Sayers), and Mary Morlock (Heldi Zeiger) react to the youngest Morlock daughter, Jessica, played by Libby Felton.



Photo by Wendy Hirsch

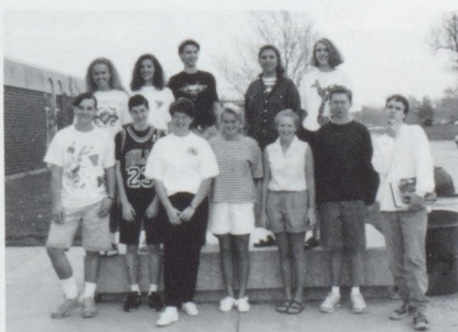


Refereeing a fight is something senior Libby Felton's young character loves to do. Juniors Matt Nyberg and Brandon Beck rehearsed for two days straight to prepare Nyberg for opening night.

# 85 Spring Play



Photo by Kristen Die Groot



**SPRING PLAY.** Thomas House, Brandon Beck, Corby Cavanaugh, Libby Felton, Joanna Stookey, Martin Pock, Chris Sayers. **Row 2.** Kim Ruisch, Kelly Kohles, Matt Nyberg, Meighan Moore, Jill Norviel.



# PEOPLE

Photo by Karen Da Groot

"No, let me get all messed up with shaving cream!" exclaims senior Ryan Horn to sophomore Lynzee Mallett at the Club Olympics.







# Word for WORD

Word for word and name for name, JHS excels in many aspects. However, it's not the programs offered but the people in them that make them outstanding. The following pages contain these people, close friends, favorite teachers and everyone else in the **halls**.

*-David Ring & Joanna Stookey*

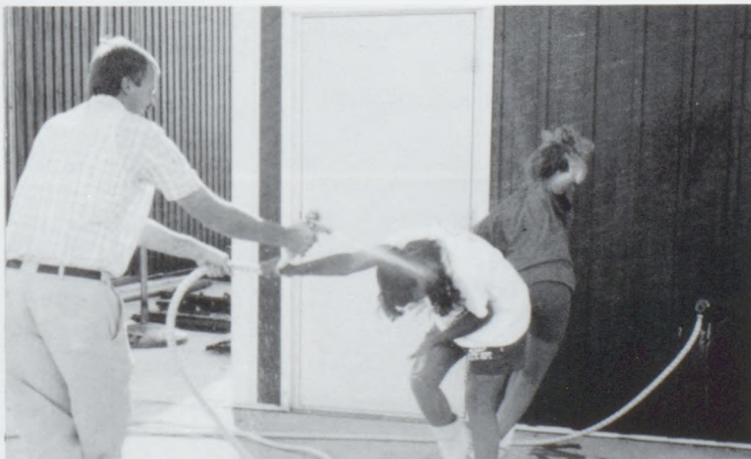


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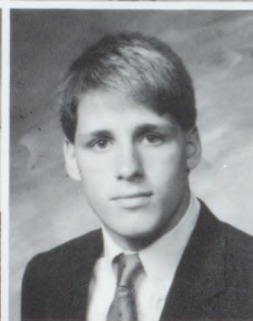
To cool off after a hot practice, freshman volleyball coach Dave Beason sprays freshman volleyball players Alicia Rollison and Annie Mullenix.



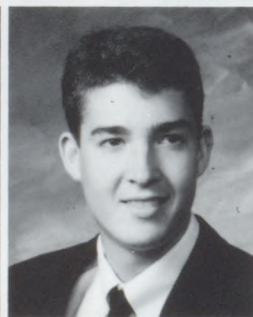
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Tom Braaten  
Angie C. Brown  
Tera Bultenwerf  
Veronica L. Bunce



Plunging up  
someone else's  
"load" is not one  
of Mike  
Mestdaugh's  
favorite pastimes,  
although his job at  
Hy-Vee  
sometimes  
requires it.



Photo by Shannon Smith



By Shannon Smith and Kim Ruisch

# WHAT IS YOUR BIGGEST PET PEEVE?



- A. People who park their cars in the house.
- B. Mr. Dale Woller.
- C. Unflushed toilets.

**A. People who park their cars in the house.** "I hate people who park their cars at the top of the staircase. When I get up at night to go to the bathroom I forget that it is there and trip over it. Then I fall down the staircase and bruise my arm. That hurts. So for all you people that decide to park at the top of the staircase, put the car where it belongs - in the driveway."

-Aaron May

**B. Mr. Dale Woller.** "Here is a cop who thinks he can be Mr. Macho Man and show everyone how to drive to school. He usually slows traffic way down and causes a bigger hassle than what was there in the first place. If they want traffic to move better, try traffic lights."

-Tyler Knox

**C. Unflushed toilets.** "Seeing an unflushed toilet has to be one of the most disgusting things. It seems like I'm the one to walk into the bathroom when the toilet is like that. Sometimes I have to plunge it up at Hy-Vee. People should either leave their load more often or learn how to use a **plunger**."

-Mike Mestdaugh



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Seniors



Blythe Amanda Burkhardt  
Jennifer Marie Butz  
Daniel E. Carolus



Tanner Lee Carter  
Sergio Alejandro Casares  
Matthew William Caswell



# WHAT DO YOU LOOK FOR IN A COLLEGE?

By Kris Tedesco and David Ring

- A. I look for an excellent reputation.
- B. I look for good academics and a nice coaching staff.
- C. I look for cute guys.

**A. I look for an excellent reputation.** "I think this quality would be important if I were to attend graduate school in the future. I'd also like the school to be small enough that I wouldn't just be a number."

*-Morgan Holcomb*

**B. I look for good academics and a nice coaching staff.** "Academics come first, but the school needs good coaches since I plan to play football. It's also important that the student body is friendly. Right when I stepped on Simpson's campus I could tell it was the college for me."

*-Cam Christensen*

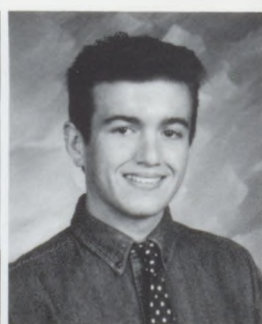
**C. I look for cute guys.** "I also look for friendly people, a nice campus, a strong biology department, and, oh, did I say cute guys?"

*-Corby Cavanaugh*

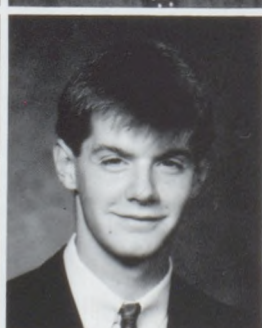


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Corbette Jae Cavanaugh  
Cameron Ted Christensen  
Justin Matthew Christy



Robert Arthur Coons  
Brian Thomas Craig  
Joseph Michael Davis

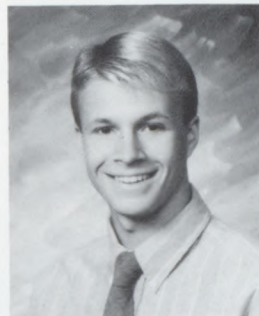




Thirst overcomes  
Jenny Duckworth  
while touring the  
campus of  
California's Santa  
Clara University.  
Duckworth favored  
Santa Clara because  
of the nice weather  
and beautiful  
campus.



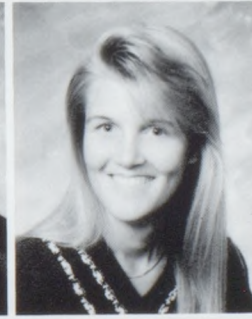
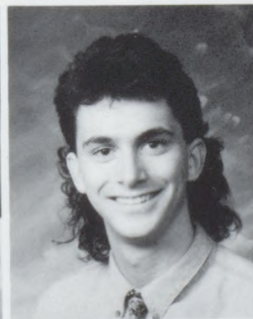
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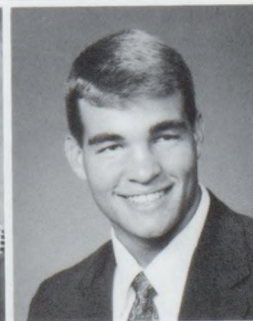
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Frank Fichtner



Michael Wayne Fleener  
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Stephanie Rae Grandia  
Chris Hanner  
Andrew Michael Hanshaw  
Adrienne Jane Hart



Sarah Zuzanna Hartle  
Jeremy William Heinen  
Heather Kay Henning  
Emily Renee Hicks



Sonya Sue Hoefling  
Morgan L. Holcomb  
Ryan Lee Horn



Senior Linda Kinney soaks up the summer rays at the beach. When May arrives seniors begin counting down the days until the beach can be theirs again.



Photo by Heidi Zeiger

Nathan M. Hornback  
Eryn Elaine Houle  
Renée Helen Howleson



Michael D. Hulsebus  
Amy Lynn Hunt  
Janie Marie Jeffries



Jeffery L. Johns  
Todd James Edward Johnson  
Tracy Lynn Kane  
Kory Kilbourne



Linda K. Kinney  
Tyler Edwin Knox  
Melissa Kuchel  
Scott Kurtz





By Carol Voorhees

# HOW BAD IS YOUR SENIORITIS?

- A. I've had enough of the same people.
- B. I feel like I'm in jail.
- C. I feel adventurous.

**A. I've had enough of the same people for four years.** "Nothing seems to change and the routine is so boring. I just can't wait for something different, and next year will definitely bring it."

*-Brendan Sapienza*

**B. I feel like I'm in jail.** "One day the office tried to give me a detention because I had a headache and went home. They said it was an unexcused absence. I think I am ready to be responsible for my own actions and in college I will be."

*-Libby Felton*

**C. I feel adventurous.** "I know I've got the rest of my life ahead of me. All I need is to pass the requirements and graduate. This year seems to be dragging. I'm just ready to get on with it."

*-Dan Newell*

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Seniors



Shannon Langworthy  
Jamey Joe Layman  
Cuong Le



Brian Michael Lee  
Christine Um Yao  
Diana Elizabeth Unnehan



# WHAT IS THE BEST THING A FRIEND HAS DONE FOR YOU?

By Joanna Stookey and Jennifer Jones

- A. She took me on vacation.
- B. He gave me gas.
- C. They helped me survive my senior year.

**A. She took me on vacation.** "Sarah Hartle took me to Hawaii with her. She protected me from all the old, perverted men. She also bought me ice cream and let me have the window seat on the plane. That's a true friend."

-Morgan Holcomb

**B. He gave me gas.** "The best thing that Matt Tetzloff has ever done for me was the time that my car ran out of gas on Merle Hay and I was flat-bum-buster for money. As I sat weeping at the steering wheel there was a knock at my window. It was Matt. I explained the situation to him and that golly fella was kind enough to siphon the gas out of a nearby Monte Carlo that was parked at Irwin's Bike Shop and put it in my car. I will be indebted to him for life."

-Chris Hanner

**C. They helped me survive my senior year.** "No matter how stressed out I was or how boring my classes were, Blythe and Marne always reminded me that we were almost done with high school and could escape **forever.**"

-Eryn Houle



Jamie Renay Lowe  
Shawn Paul Mahoney  
Aaron Daniel May



Kristina Rae McMullen  
Michael D. Mestdagh  
Trevor Allen Meyers





Senior friends  
Chris Hanner and  
Matt Tetzloff  
inspect the  
orange juice at  
the Senior  
Breakfast. The  
breakfast, held at  
the North End  
Diner, was the kick-  
off for the seniors'  
final semester at  
JHS.



Sandra Miller  
Thomas Robert Miller  
Kodi Anne Mollendor



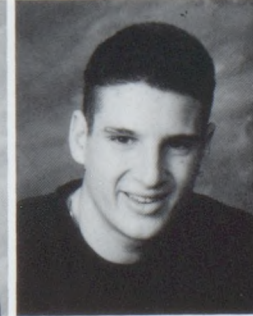
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Melinda Musal



Marne Marie Myers  
Sherri Marie Nelsen  
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Bridget Elizabeth Nichols



Michael John Nicodemus  
Tara Lynn Oller  
Kirk Michael Ojendyk  
Jake Clayton Oldham

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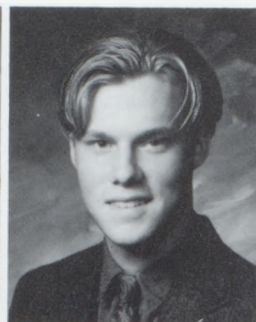


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Jill Courtney Olsen  
Jason Pace



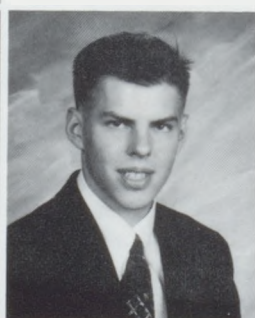
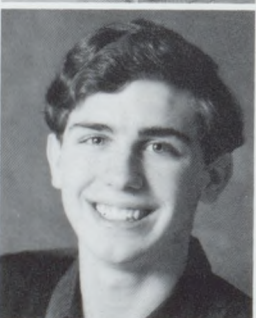
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James Troy Proehl



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Marta Rekalde de la Torre  
David Michael Ring  
Paul William Roarick



David Rodriguez Strocchia  
Jason Tyrone Rollison  
Jay Roskam  
Jeffrey J. Ross



Senior Peter Vannausdale relaxes in the back seat as he, Tyler Knox and Dan Newell drive to the Mega-Mall in Minnesota. Miraculously, the three only received two detentions.





By Ross Anderson

# WHAT IS YOUR MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT ?



- A. Skipping school.
- B. The Leadership Retreat.
- C. Slobbering out.

**A. Skipping school.** " One day, TPD decided to skip school to go to the Mega-Mall in Minnesota. We decided to really make this one count. We crammed into a two-person car and left. We had the time of our lives, and we only received two detentions."

-Tyler Knox

**B. The Leadership Retreat.** " Leadership was a blast. It was a time where everybody was able to really get to know everyone. The famous crying sessions were the sentimental part of it all. Though I'm sure the best part was being able to call Mr. Kinder 'Jerry.'"

-Jenni Butz

**C. Slobbering out.** One week I chose to wear scummy, greasy, grudge apparel. My teachers spat upon my appearance, and gave me F's on all my work. My fellow students acted as if I ceased to exist. I should have listened to the big Double D.

-Josh Doster



Larry Allen Rustan, Jr.  
Amy Sacco  
Brendan Gill Saplenza



Daniel Seles  
Karl Lynn Shafer  
Lukus James Smart



# WHAT IS SOMETHING YOU'VE LEARNED IN HIGH SCHOOL?

By Jason Benbow and Lissa Smith

- A. Make every day count.
- B. Get involved.
- C. How to make friends.

**A. Make every day count.** "During my four years of high school, I've learned that you have to make every day count. I regret not joining a bigger variety of clubs. I was new and wasn't ready to start over. Now I'm finished and will never be able to go back and change that mistake."

-Diana Linnehan

**B. Get involved.** "I have learned to get involved by playing sports. Athletics were a big part of my high school career. Playing baseball allowed me to meet many different people with whom I have stayed friends."

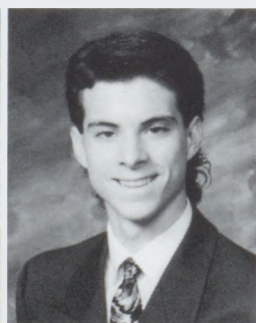
-Mike Nicodemus

**C. How to make friends.** "When I first entered high school I didn't have many friends. The one thing I learned is how to make them. I now have more than I ever thought possible. The best way to make friends is to be active. I think sports and other activities were very helpful. If you don't have friends then high school won't be as fun."

-Joe Berg



Lance Kelsey Smith  
James Douglas Stark  
Jeffery Daniel Stephens



Lauren Joseph Stole  
Joanna Sue Stookey  
Paul Allen Stover









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## OW DOES HOMEWORK RELATE TO YOUR JUNIOR YEAR?

By Kristen De Groat and Heidi Zeiger

Homework is to juniors  
as \_\_\_\_\_ is to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Mr. Mahoney is to baseball.
- B. Tommorrow is to procrastinators.
- C. Dead animals are to Mr. Partington.

**A. Mr. Mahoney is to baseball.** "After spending 45 minutes with Mr. Mahoney in class I hope my homework doesn't take me into extra innings."

-Mike Remer

**B. Tommorrow is to procrastinators.** "Trying to balance all your classes is tough. With everything that's going on during the week like student council, jazz band and swing choir, it's easy to just keep putting homework off until the last minute."

-Andy Offenburger

**C. Dead animals are to Mr. Partington.** "If I spent half as much time studying chemistry as Mr. Partington hunts, I'd surely get an 'A'. But all in all I'm glad I'm not his prey... or am I?"

-Angie Claus



Eric Abbey  
Ross Anderson  
Tammy Babcock



Erich Baker  
Toby Baker  
Nicole Baldwin



Craig Ball  
Kara Barney  
Brandon Beck





"I've got so much to do!"  
thinks Junior Ben Carroll as he  
reviews his chemistry notes.  
Chemistry is just one of many  
challenging courses Juniors  
take at JHS.



Jason Benbow  
Marcy Benton  
Amy Bidney  
David Block  
Andrew Boucher

Amanda Brannon  
Melinda Brasch  
Jeremy Breese  
Lucas Brockab  
Jason Brown

Nicole Brown  
Nicole Buban  
Sarah Campbell  
Jason Capps  
John Carr

Ben Carroll  
James Clark  
Angela Claus  
Melissa Cooper  
Jason Cox

Leith Cox  
D.J. Danner  
Jaime Davis  
Justin Davis  
Anne Davitt

Juniors  
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Kyle Dickey  
Danielle Doak  
Iona Doster  
Mike Douglas  
Scott Ebke

Anna Elander  
Mark Elliott  
Dan Rannery  
Ryan Rynn  
Jill Foley

Amie Ford  
Shanna Galloway  
Chris Garmon  
Mark Gay  
Holly Goughtry



# Seniors

Chad Grayson  
Brian Green  
Ryan Guttridge  
Crissy Hammen  
Jill Hansen



Stefanie Harper  
Suzy Hawkins  
Jeremy Hoffman  
Shawn Humphries  
Tyson Iles



Eric Johnson  
Jaime Johnson  
Jay Johnson  
Christy Jones  
Nathan Jorgenson



Channon Kane  
Matt Keltner  
Jami Kennel  
Paul Kleiss  
Bradie Knapp



Rachel Knudtson  
Julia Kotz  
Andy Kreamer  
Doug Kruse  
Teresa Lane



Dawn Uekweg  
T.J. Logan  
Amy Martin  
Jeff Martin  
David May



Chad McFarling  
Kriston Meyers  
Zach Meyers  
Jenny Miller  
Clay Mitchell



Amy Mullica  
Lara Newsom  
Sam Noble  
Matthew Nyberg  
Amy Odland



"I need to see some identification," says the cashier at Century Six Theatres to Amy Odland as she tries to get into an "R" rated movie.



Photo by Aaron May



By Lissa Smith and Jill Foley

# WHAT IS YOUR MOST DEGRADING MOMENT ?



- A. Getting I D' d for an "R" rated movie.
- B. Riding the school bus home.
- C. Being served liquor in front of parents and then being called a "youngin'."

**A. Getting ID' d for an "R" rated movie.** "I was I D'd to go see *Boyz in the Hood* and finally talked my way into being let in because of my natural charm, but I was still really embarrassed."

-Shawn Humphries

**B. Riding the school bus home.** "I am unable to drive my car because my parents thought taking away my driving priveleges was a great punishment. So, everyday I do the hundred yard dash to the bus stop because I'm always late. The bus is always cold and the little kids yell and scream about the dumbest things. I get to school about fifteen minutes before the bell, so I end up sitting around doing nothing. If I'm still riding the bus when I'm a senior, shoot me!"

- Jay Johnson

**C. Being served liquor in front of parents and then being called a "youngin'."** "My family and I went out for dinner one night. When the waiter came and asked if he could get us something from the bar, everyone ordered alcohol and I got a Coke. When the waiter came back he got confused and gave me the screwdriver and my cousin the Coke. My family called me a youngin' and told the waiter to give the Coke to me."

- Jenny Smith



Sarah May  
Joe McClung  
Shannon McClure



Melghan Moore  
Shawna Morton  
Brian Moss



Andy Offenburger  
Leann Oxley  
Spencer Parsons



# WHAT DO YOU DO IF YOU'RE GOING TO BE LATE?

By Ross Anderson and Jason Benbow

- A. I call home and talk with my parents.
- B. I just walk in late and don't care what happens.
- C. I stay out later and have more fun.

**A. I call home and talk with my parents.** "If I don't call they would be very mad and as long as they know I'm O.K., they are pretty flexible about how late I can stay out. If I am late and I haven't called home, my dad will usually wait for me and as soon as I walk in the door he starts throwing explosives at me."

-Ryan Flynn

**B. I just walk in late and don't care what happens.** "My parents never know when I come in because they sleep downstairs, so they always think that I got home on time. It is pretty cool because they think I am home before my curfew, so I never get into trouble."

-Jaime Davis

**C. I stay out later and have more fun.** "When I'm going to be late, I figure 'what the heck,' so I stay out and party until I feel like coming home. I usually get into trouble the next day, but most of the time it's worth the punishment."

-Jim Clark



Shannon Pecinovsky  
Tiffani Petersen  
Andrew Peterson



Joy Phillips  
Riley Phipps  
Trisha Phipps



Chad Piper  
Patrick Porto  
Stacia Purvance





Look out below! Junior Jim Clark displays the art of sneaking out of his house from a second-story window.



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Jay Rice

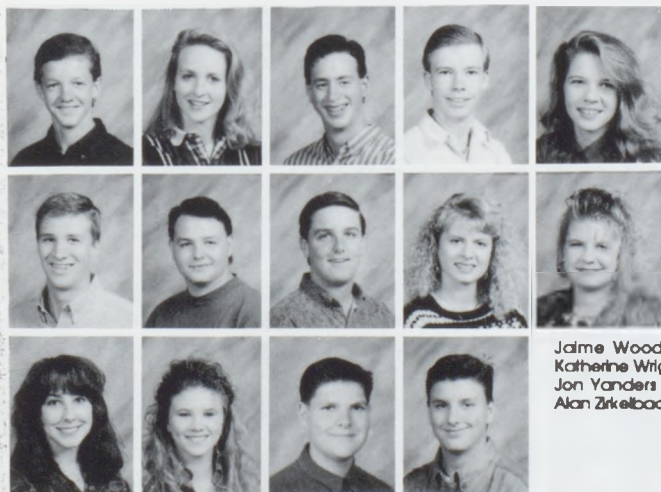
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Jennifer Smith

Lissa Smith  
Shannon Smith  
Brian Stole  
Susan Stratemeyer  
Lucas Sturdevant

Jason Sturtz  
Zachary Susic  
Tara Thieleke  
Jodi Thompson  
Skeeter Thompson

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Juniors



Grady Tibboel  
Michelle Todd  
Kevin Trees  
Ian Wardlaw  
Laura Watral

Nathan Weeter  
Scot Whitlow  
Cory Wilcox  
Andrea Willems  
Brandi Wilson

Jaime Woodward  
Katherine Wright  
Jon Yanders  
Alan Zirkelbach



T.J. Anderson  
Jeff Backstrom  
Katy Bass  
Sean Bates  
Marisa Baumgart



Joby Beaderstadt  
Gail Berman  
Jennifer Bell  
Michele Bell  
Dana Berkenbosch



Regina Bess  
Paula Blondi  
Jenny Bonnetta  
Dylan Boyles  
Danny Bright



Brenton Brown  
Tyler Buttenwerf  
Ken Cate  
Michelle Camden  
Ryan Carter



Tom Caswell  
Sarah Cattoor  
Bree Chambers  
Jay Christianson  
JP Clark



Nikki Conn  
Julie Cottrell  
Kim Crouch  
Ryan Crowder  
Blake Cruikshank



Brent Cutler  
Chris Danner  
John Davis  
Scott Dominguez  
James Doyle



A threat to the roads!  
Sophomore James Doyle has  
sophomore Brent Cutler  
laughing so hard that he can't  
keep his hands on the wheel.



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Steve Dunaway  
Tim Eblen  
Ken Brod  
Todd Ferin  
Lee Fillingsness



Jennifer Finney  
Lindsey Fischer  
Erin Fisher  
Jeff Fisher  
Charlie Fitzgibbon



Becky Floren  
Megan Franck  
Amanda Gardner  
Charles Gauger  
Emily Gelormino





By Jennifer Jones and Kris Tedesco

# HOW DO YOU ANNOY THE DRIVER?



- A. I lead him/her all over town.
- B. I talk to people in other cars.
- C. I play with the steering wheel.

**A. I lead him/her all over town.**  
"This happened two different times. We were trying to find our way home. My friend kept telling me to 'trust her' as she gave me directions. Both times we ended up on some never-ending street called Elmwood."

*-Michelle Shattuck*

**B. I talk to people in other cars.**  
"When I'm the passenger I act like Wayne from Wayne's World and ask the cars next to us if they have any Grey Poupon."

*-Jennifer Gray*

**C. I play with the steering wheel.**  
"I like to mess with the steering wheel while my friends drive just to see how well they drive. If they crash, well I guess they shouldn't be on the road **anyway**."

*-David Rittgers*

Sop ~~Hom~~ores



Tony Gentile  
Aaron Gilmore  
Scott Good



Rachel Graaf  
Stephanie Grant  
Jennifer Gray



Bryan Greiner  
Billy Gulling  
Jon Gustafson

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# WHAT DO YOU DO ON WEEKENDS?

By Shannon Smith and Kim Ruisch

- A. I sleep in.
- B. I go to the park.
- C. I go to church.

**A. I sleep in.** "Friday night I always go out with my friends. I usually don't get into the house until around 2:30 a.m. So by the end of the week I'm so stressed out, and spend all of my time sleeping in on Saturday. I usually don't get up until 2:00."

-Carty Quandt

**B. I go to the park.** "I like to go to the park on nice, cool and sunny weekends. While at the park, I like to have a little picnic and take a little nap or listen to all the beautiful little birds sing. It is always better if I go by myself so I can do whatever I want. I like to swing and see how far I can get, but it's always a little trouble to go on the merry-go-round since I only have one person. I like to hum to old classical music (favorite is Beethoven) while I am feeding the birds."

- Todd Ferin

**C. I go to the church.** "We get a group of people and pile into cars and go by the Pentecostal church honking the horn continuously until we see the guards coming out to get us. Then we take off."

-Jeff Meyers



Andrea Haag  
Jenni Hall  
John Hall



Doug Hammond  
Margaret Hanifen  
Carli Hansen



Bernadine Hanson  
Carree Hargens  
De Ann Hart





Saturday mornings aren't spent watching cartoons anymore. Sophomores use these mornings to their fullest advantage by sleeping late. Carly Quandt is caught off guard as she dreams away.

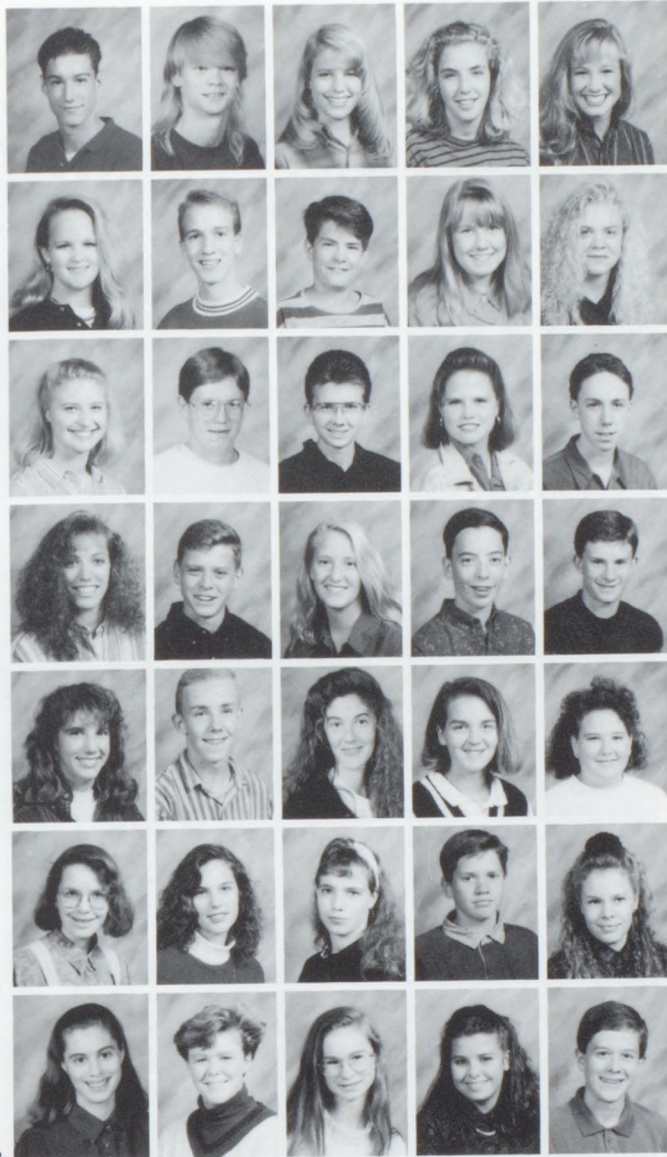


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Brad Hartschen  
Mike Hartson  
Jenn Heinen  
Heather Heller  
Libby Hermann

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Ben Hicks  
Shannon Hildreth  
Angel Hilliger  
Molly Holub

Jamie Howard  
Mark Howleson  
Riley Iverson  
Kourtne Ivey  
Brian Jackson

Elaine Jamagin  
Alex Jeffries  
Heidi Johns  
Bobby Johnson  
Eric Jones

Jennifer Jones  
John Jones  
Stephanie Jones  
Megan Kalamaja  
Crystal Kamin

Beth Koch  
Kelly Kohles  
Susie Kuenkel  
Dax Landeen  
Courtney Lester

Amy Lingenfelder  
Megan Little  
Rebecca Lowe  
Lynzee Mallett  
Jason Matkins

# 10 Sophomores



Elizabeth McAdam  
Brian McLain  
Andrew Meston  
Jeff Meyers  
RaeAnn Miller

Jennifer Morrison  
Krys-ti Muselman  
Amy Myer  
Beth Ann Nelson  
Jeff Nieting

Jill Norvel  
Nick Notts  
Jennifer Osborn  
Charise Ostum  
Matt Pace



Chad Paine  
Christopher Palmer  
Michael Parker  
Kelly Pierce  
Scott Powers



Carly Quandt  
Sarah Rains  
Tim Rains  
Jason Rasmussen  
Marc Ray



Daniel Reach  
Casey Richwine  
January Rippe  
Brad Rippey  
Angie Rittgers



David Rittgers  
Kristin Robinson  
Andy Roeth  
Angie Roorda  
Steffanie Routh



Martin Rupert  
Jeremy Rushing  
Andrea Sacco  
Keith Schneider  
Brian Schock



Sarah Schoper  
Sarah Schreurs  
TJ Sciorrotta  
John Sederwall  
Emily Shattles



Michelle Shattuck  
Brian Smith  
Mike Sorter  
Bryan Stennes  
Misti Strome



Making popcorn is just one of many jobs that sophomores Karl Tank and Jennifer Gray do to earn a few extra dollars.



Photo by Ken Tishman

Matt Sundblad  
Jed Tank  
Karl Tank  
Kris Tedesco



Keely Thorson  
Brenda Tomenga  
Aaron Toney  
Shannon Turner



Donny Tyrrel  
Brian VanReet  
Zeke Vantreesse  
Aaron Vis



# Sophomores



By Heidi Johns and Kris Tedesco

# HOW EMBARRASSING IS YOUR JOB?



- A. I dropped a watermelon.
- B. I spilled a Coke all over a customer.
- C. I made popcorn and forgot to put the lid on.

**A. I dropped a watermelon.** "It was my first day working at the grocery store. It took me about ten minutes to clean up and everyone looked at me funny. My dad runs the store so I didn't get fired."

*-Brian Greiner*

**B. I spilled a Coke all over a customer.** "It happened while I was working at McDonald's. I had set the Coke on the counter and I was giving them their change when I accidentally hit it. It spilled all over them. I apologized repeatedly and got them a new Coke."

*-Bernadine Hanson*

**C. I made popcorn and forgot to put the lid on.** "I was working at the Merle Hay Cinema and after putting in the popcorn I forgot about the lid. It started popping and it was flying **everywhere!**"

*-Kari Tank*

**Sophomores**



Matt Warren  
Heather Wheeler  
Teresa White



Michelle Wlig  
Danielle Willey  
S.W. Winrich



Shannon Woodhall  
Mark Yeoman  
Heather Zortman



# WHO IS YOUR IDOL?

By Heidi Zeiger and Jennifer Jones

- A. Michael Jordan
- B. Kristi Yamaguchi
- C. Grandma Battin

**A. Michael Jordan.** "He holds the record for the most three-pointers in a playoff game and he can dunk over anybody. He averages 32 points a game. He's the best player in the world!"

*-Travis Schuling*

**B. Kristi Yamaguchi.** "I respect Kristi Yamaguchi because her determination pushed her beyond the prejudice she faced and she captured the gold medal in the 1992 Winter Olympics."

*-Crystal Smith*

**C. Grandma Battin.** "She takes you for what you are, and she doesn't pick on you like some grandmas. I think that's really neat."

*-Heather Battin*



Freshmen 12

Peter Alexander  
Morgan Anderson  
Tony Anderson



Vanessa Andrews  
Kristen Angstrom  
Bethany Ashby



Ben Barnes  
Eliot Barstow  
Heather Battin





Freshman Kristin Warren will never forget the memorable times she spent with her mother before she died in February of 1992. Kristin idolizes her because Mrs. Warren was able to deal with all of the things that came into her life.



Andrea Beck  
May-Lee Beckham  
Megan Bengard  
Michael Bennett  
Rishel Bess

Kasi Billbrey  
Laura Block  
Jordan Boley  
Amy Brehmer  
Kris Bro

Christy Buchmeier  
Todd Buckland  
Bryan Burkhardt  
Jenny Burklund  
Tanner Cain

Lewis Callahan  
Shannon Cattrider  
Danielle Carroll  
Tami Carter  
Jason Caton

Zac Christensen  
Shalon Clark  
Myles Cochran  
Casandra Coleman  
Jeremy Comer

Christopher Comerford  
Jerry Coons  
Aaron Corcoran  
Amanda DeReus  
Corey Dickey

Renee Ebke  
David Edwards  
Danielle Englehart  
Mike Fackler  
Scott Fales

Amanda Fisher  
Shannon Fisher  
Tony Floyd  
Jeff Foster  
Lacey Freeman  
Jonny French

Jennifer Gilchrist  
Ryan Gray  
Marc Gregor  
Jamie Grimm  
Ben Groves  
Tara Guttridge

Derek Haag  
Tim Halling  
Sarah Hamilton  
Marisa Hansen  
Kimberly Hartley  
Lisa Henning



# 11 Freshmen



# Freshmen 14

Jeremy Hietbrink  
Tee Hill  
J.P. Hoefling  
Mark Hornback  
Tim Hruska



Chrissie Huisman  
Shawn Iles  
Nick Iwig  
Katie Jacobsen  
Courtney Johnson



Kate Jones  
Jodee Kennei  
Bryan King  
Cory Kiper  
Cody Koch



P.J. Korte  
Matt Kunert  
Doug Langworthy  
Marcus Leigh  
Cory Uljedahl



Rebecca Longmire  
Matt Lundberg  
Ryan Maasen  
Matt Madison  
Chad Markin



Brian McCleary  
Kevin McConnell  
Kristin McConnell  
Pat McGowan  
Emily Medina



Becky Miller  
Brenda Mitchell  
Nick Mitchell  
Juli Morgan  
Leanna Morris



Freshman Annie Mullenix explains to her friends about the time her skirt ripped all the way up her leg during school.



Photo by Mike Tschirko

Annie Mullenix  
Seamus Murphy  
Lisa Musselman  
Sara Myer  
Tim Nemmers  
Kelly Newsom



John Nichols  
Patrick Nigon  
Joel Noble  
Greg Olsen  
Shon Olson  
James Peterson



Marcie Peterson  
Leslie Phipps  
Curt Pizinger  
Jen Porto  
Gretchen Powell  
Tammy Proehl







By Heidi Johns and Kris Tedesco

# WHAT WAS YOUR MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENT?



- A. I blanked out at a piano recital.
- B. My fly was unzipped the whole school day.
- C. My swim trunks ripped.

**A. I blanked out at a piano recital.** "I was to play in front of 100 or more people. I got up to the piano and I forgot the whole piece. I tried to play a few times, but I kept screwing up. My dad suggested that I should try again later. After that we left, and I never did perform."

*-Pat McGowan*

**B. My fly was unzipped the whole school day.** "I had practice before school. I was changing into my school clothes when I realized I had brought my little sister's jeans. They were so tight that I had to go around all day with the fly unzipped. I could barely walk."

*-Nicole Timmins*

**C. My swim trunks ripped.** "Rian Bess and I were swimming at the Urbandale pool, and we decided to have a diving contest. I did a frog jump by spreading my legs. My swim trunks ripped and fell all the way off. Lifeguards told me I had to leave the pool. I streaked to the locker room."

*-Greg Olsen*

Freshmen



Barry Guam  
Ame Reavis  
Steve Ring



Sari Roarick  
Steve Rodriguez  
Alicia Rollison



Jessica Roorda  
Jon Ross  
Blake Roth



By Kim Ruisch and Ross Anderson

# WHAT WAS YOUR BIGGEST FRESHMAN FEAR?

- A. Getting beat up by a senior.
- B. Getting in the way.
- C. Getting shoved into a trash can.

**A. Getting beat up by a senior.** "I had dreaded the day that I would have to walk down the halls with everyone looking at me. With sweat pouring down my face, I walked upstairs. I had heard the horror stories about psychos like Shawn Mahoney stuffing peoples' heads in toilets. Later, I found out what a nice guy he was, and my fears about toilets ended."

-Jordan Boley

**B. Getting in the way.** "When I came to high school, I was afraid that I would be in the way of everybody else. I tried hard not to be a nuisance. One day my friends and I were talking and goofing around, and we weren't watching where we were going. My friend and I walked right into a senior. I have never been so embarrassed in my life."

-Kristen McConnell

**C. Getting shoved into a trash can.** "I had nightmares of big seniors chasing me down the hall. They would finally catch me, only to stuff me into a trash can."

-Heather Smith



Phill Roush  
Brent Routson  
April Ruggles



Eric Sable  
Robin Sanders  
Jessica Scheuchi



Brad Schonhorst  
Travis Schuling  
Laura Schuster





His plan to tiptoe past unnoticed by senior Shawn Mahoney backfires and freshman Jordan Boley is put against the wall.



Lisa Shanley  
Willie Sheldon  
A.J. Simpson  
Matt Simpson  
Emily Skow

Casey Smith  
Crystal Smith  
Heather Smith  
Michelle Smith  
Adam Soper

Christopher Stafford  
Chad Stamps  
Joann Stark  
Tom Stephens  
Mark Stookey

Brad Sturtz  
Barry Sullivan  
Chris Sundell  
Rhannon Thoreson  
Greg Tibboel

Nicole Timmins  
Kristine Toms  
Derek Trobaugh  
Mary Turpen  
Heather Tuttle

Josh Twedt  
Josh Van Heukelom  
Matt Vannausdale  
Jon Vocelka  
Noelle Wagner

Greg Waldrop  
Summer Wall  
Kristin Warren  
Troy Webber  
Matt Webster

# 11 Freshmen

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Ryan West  
Jamie Westcott  
Kevin Whitehill  
Mike Wicks  
Monica Wilg

Kristy Wilges  
Mike Willcox  
Danielle Williams  
Brock Wing  
Jonnelle Wisecup

Jason Woerly  
Shannon Wohl  
Heidi Wych  
Jane Zirkelbach



By Carol Voorhees and Shannon Smith

# WHAT WAS YOUR MOST EMBARRASSING DATE?

- A. When I was sixteen.
- B. When I was in college.
- C. When I asked out a twin.

**A. When I was sixteen.**  
"After pizza, a movie and good conversation it came time to say good-night. I walked her to the door and turned to say, "good-night," and leaned over to kiss her. At the same time she was sticking out her hand to shake mine. What was I going to do? I was caught in mid-pucker. She laughed and then I knew she was just joking. After a nice kiss good-night I went home as king of the world."

*-Mr. Justin Carlson*

**B. When I was in college.**  
"It was my first date in college and we took my new Volkswagen convertible out on the town. On our way to the restaurant we got in an accident and rolled my new car. My date thought I was going to fall out of the car so he grabbed my hair, or so he thought. Instead he grabbed my wig!"

*-Mrs. Mary Ann Morris*

**C. When I asked out a twin.**  
"I had to go to her house to pick her up. When I knocked on the front door both of them answered. I couldn't tell them apart. Finally I had to ask which one was my date."

*-Mr. Larry Lawler*



Mrs. Tamara Andrews/English, French  
Mrs. Jan Ahern/Special Ed. Assoc.

Mr. Rick Albrecht/Band  
Mr. Garry Audler/Math

Mrs. Jeanette Babcock/Media Spec.  
Mrs. Denise Book/Math





Going on dates is a major part of college life. Mrs. Cindy Partington, English and psychology teacher, attends a fall formal her freshmen year at the University of Iowa. Her date Joe and friends share a smile at the dance.



Mr. Dennis Briggs/Science  
Mrs. Judy Briles/Office  
Mr. Justin Carlson/B.D.  
Mrs. Phyllis Caswell/B.D. Assoc.

Mrs. Mary Coppock/Interpreter  
Mr. George Corley/Study Hall  
Mrs. Sue Cline/Social Studies  
Mr. Dale Doudna/Guidance

Mr. Tom Downs/Principal  
Mr. Michael Halder/Science  
Mrs. Carol Halverson/Special Ed. Assoc.  
Mrs. Marilyn Harrison/Special Ed.

Mr. Marty Harwick/Vice-Principal  
Mrs. Pam Johnson/E.L.P.  
Mrs. Joan Kielhorn/English  
Mr. Jerry Kinder/History

Mrs. Anne Koth/English  
Mrs. Molly Lauen/Home Ec.  
Mr. Larry Lawler/Social Studies  
Mr. Jim Mahoney/Science

Faculty



Mr. Mike Modlin/Industrial Technology  
Mrs. Mary Moermond/French  
Mrs. Mary Ann Morris/Science  
Mrs. Maurine Morris/Office  
Mr. Craig Oldham/Business  
Mrs. Cindy Partington/English.Psy.

Mrs. Marty Pierce/Spanish  
Mr. Dave Pitz/Gov't, Sociology  
Mrs. Joyce Rash/Spanish, English  
Mrs. Iris Scott/Guidance  
Mr. Steve Smith/Math  
Mr. Larry Strickler/P.E.

Ms. Marilyn Tews/Speech, English  
Mrs. Kay Van Farowe/Math  
Mrs. Jan VerHoef/Office  
Mr. Jim Wandro/Special Ed.  
Mrs. Jody White/Vocal Music  
Mr. Ralph Young/Shop



# ORGANIZATIONS

Photo by Mary Ann Moran

Junior Jason Cox spends his Saturday afternoon digging a posthole for a children's playground. This activity, sponsored by TLC, benefited the underprivileged children of downtown **Des Moines**.







# The Spoken WORD

Organizations are developed to take a stand, show their stuff and make a difference. Long hours are spent working to find the most effective ways to make their message known. By the spoken word, their cause is spread, their purpose **fulfilled**.

*-Kim Ruisch & Shannon Smith*

Organizations



Photo by Cornell Elementary School

Junior Safety Kids Jami Kennel, Nicole Buban, Danielle Doak, Kim Ruisch, Heidi Zelger and Jenny Smith perform their program for Cornell Elementary School. The Safety Kids shared their substance-free message with many local day cares and **elementaries**.



**SAIL** Jeremy Heinen, Mike Mestdagh, Christine Lim Yao, Travis Rosa, Teresa Lane, Mike Remer. **Row 2.** Jason Veeder, Tiffany Zortman, Emily Hicks, Jenni Butz, Joy Phillips, Dani Doak, Lane Sires, Ryan Guttridge, Grady Tibboel. **Row 3.** Tyson Iles, Jenny Smith, Lissa Smith, Linda Kinney, Libby Felton, Skeeter Thompson, Nicole Buban, Shannon Smith, Jeremy Rinehart, Kim Rutsch, Nathan Jorgenson, Jason Rollison, Joe Barnard. **Row 4.** Scott Kurtz, Greg Reed, Ryan Flynn, Wade Sewell, Dan Flannery, Jaime Johnson, Jami Kennel, Carol Voorhees, Jill Olsen, Andrea Willems, Jason Ranker.



**TLC/SADD.** Bobby Johnson, Dawn Liekweg, Carree Hargens, Bernadine Hanson, Brenda Tomenga, Misti Strome, Marisa Baumgart, Brian McLain, Kim Rutsch. **Row 2.** Megan Franck, Karl Tank, Pat McGowan, Heather Smith, Jennifer Jones, Nicole Buban, Shannon Smith, Lissa Smith, Jason Benbow, Jami Kennel. **Row 3.** Jennifer Gray, Amy Myer, Megan Kalamaja, Meighan Moore, Angel Hillger, Shannon McClure, Jason Cox, Joe McClung. **Row 4.** Wade Sewell, Dan Flannery, Skeeter Thompson, Greg Reed, Nathan Jorgenson, Toby Baker, Greg Olsen, Mark Elliott.



SADD, SAIL & TLC

# STUDENT LEADERS SACRIFICE TIME

Student leaders at JHS made quite an impact with activities ranging from MORP by TLC, to Red Ribbon Week by SADD, to showing new students what our school is like by SAIL.

"Showing the new kids around made me really nervous because you have to make your school something spectacular in order to reassure new students," said junior Joy Phillips. SAIL actively helped new students find their way around the crowded halls of JHS.

One activity organized by TLC was MORP, the reverse of prom. "The best part of MORP was the live band and when I got to get all grubby and go out to eat at McDonald's," said sophomore Jenn Morrison.

AIDS Week, another project of TLC, was highlighted by the making of the AIDS quilt and the drama "Secrets." This was a play performed by Drake University students in hopes of educating high school students about the facts of AIDS.

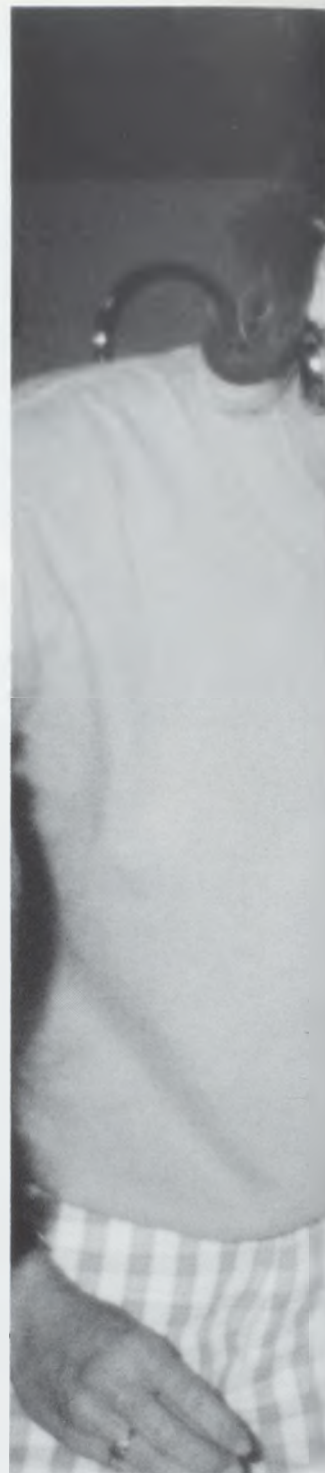
Friday Night Live, an evening of food, fun and relaxation, was held on May 21. "I was the MC and as with all TLC functions, it was nummy," said junior Andy Offenburger.

"SADD dealt mainly with Red Ribbon Week and prevention of drug use," said freshman Annie Mullenix. "We put red ribbons on each car in the parking lot symbolizing our partnership in a drug-free America."

SADD, SAIL and TLC members sacrificed a great deal of time as they organized many successful activities to educate, involve and just have fun.

-Jason Benbow and Jill Foley

Putting the final touches on the AIDS quilt, seniors Tiffany Zortman and Blythe Burkhardt intently apply paint. The quilt was displayed during AIDS week. Patches will be added each year to make the quilt eventually fit in the new LMC window.



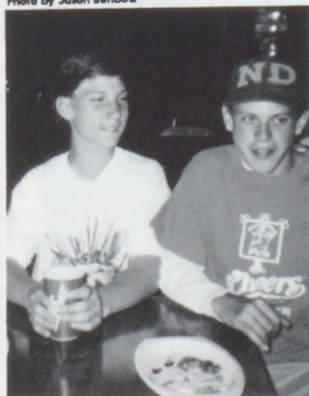




# 12 SADD, SALES & TLC

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Photo by Jason Benbow



Sophomore Bryan Greiner laughs at Friday Night Live as Alex Jeffries relieves his stomach of excess gas. Many burps could be heard as much food was provided.



Photo by Jennifer Jordan

With a firm and nervous grip, sophomore John Davis hangs in the balance of death as he prepares to descend the repelling platform at the Leadership Retreat.



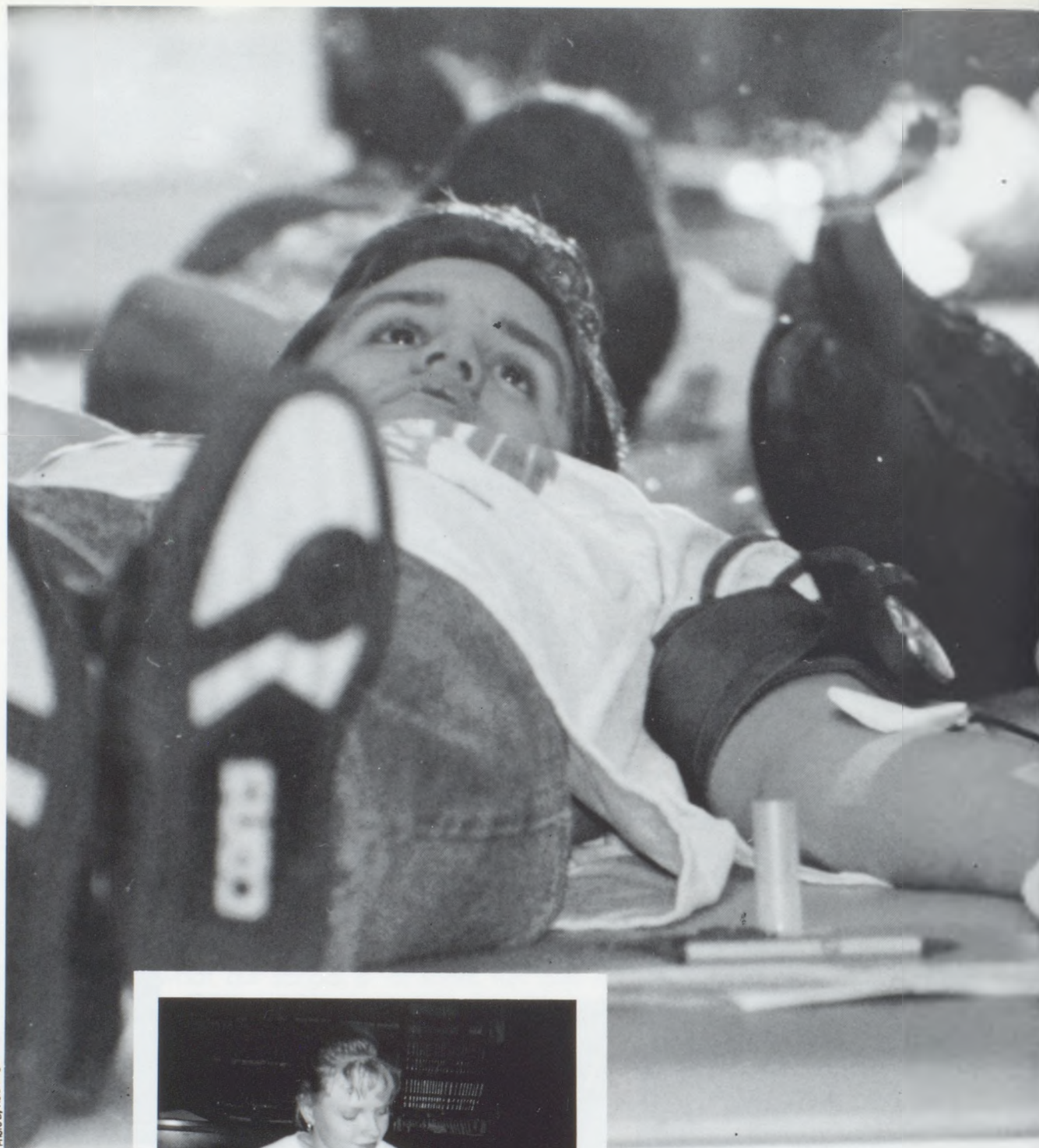


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Junior Joy Phillips is studying for the state round of the Academic Decathlon. She is preparing for the economic section of the multiple choice test.

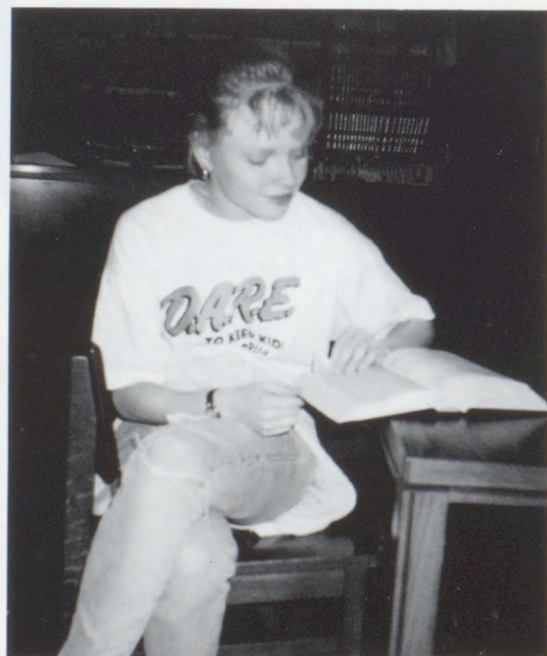


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Photo by Carol Voorhees

Tension rises as senior Todd Swanson, Student Body Vice President, announces the Homecoming Court. In the past the Student Body President has done this, but senior Justin Allen was on the court.



**STUDENT COUNCIL.** Heidi Zeiger, Jill Foley, Andy Offenburger, Elaine Jarnagin, Danny Bright. Row 2. Greg Olsen, Jill Olsen, Sarah Hartle, Stephanie Grandia, Justin Allen, Todd Swanson, Jeremy Rinehart, Megan Bengard, Alicia Rollison.



**ACADEMIC TEAM.** Todd Swanson, Eric Abbey, Brian Burkhardt, Spencer Parsons, Brendan Sapienza, Eryn Houle, Corby Cavanaugh, Sam Noble. Row 2. Chen Zhao, Shane Anderson, Mike Hulsebus, Blythe Burkhardt, Amy Tomenga, Joanna Stookey, Morgan Halcomb, Sarah Hartle, Grady Tibboel.



# LONG HOURS EARNING AND WORKING

**L**ong hours were spent by the academic and political leaders of JHS to gain success in tough competitions and the stressful organization of activities.

The academic teams put in long hours studying to score high on their tough competition tests. Senior Mike Hulsebus said, "We had one person assigned to study a certain subject, and then they taught the rest of us what they learned." Some of the team members read books while others practiced essay questions. Junior Mike Remer said, "I thought the essay was the hardest part. They asked really difficult questions like, 'Where do you think you will be in the year 2000, and how will you contribute to society?' Who the hell knows?"

Student Council members also put in hard hours organizing school events like the Homecoming week activities. Sophomore Elaine Jarnagin said, "The night of the Club Olympics I was so stressed out and exhausted I thought I was going to cry. Looking back, though, I think it turned out all right."

Student Council also tried to meet the never-ending student demands. Student Body President Justin Allen said, "It was harder to get things done than I had expected. We had to work together and compromise a lot with other groups. If anything, I've learned patience."

Both groups' hard work and patience paid off. The academic team sent nine people to the state tournament while Student Council managed to survive another great **Homecoming**.

*-Carol Voorhees and Sarah Hartle*

Senior Cam Christensen donates his pint to the Iowa Blood Center of Des Moines. After giving blood, students enjoyed being treated by members of NHS and Student Council in the canteen.



**HISTORY DAY.** Robin Sanders, Leanna Morris, Jason Cox. **ROW 2.** Mike Remer, Jill Norviel.



**MOCK TRIAL.** Marisa Hansen, Amy Ungenfelder, Joy Phillips, Bryan Burkhardt, Jason Ranker, Rachel Graaf, Sarah Hartle, Blythe Burkhardt, Jason Matkins, Joanna Stookey, Kristen DeGroat. **ROW 1 STAIRS.** Morgan Holcolmb, Kristin Warren, Brent Routson, Seamus Murphy. **ROW 2 STAIRS.** Justin Allen, Bryan Stennes, Rhannon Thoreson, Emily Skow, Coach Gordy Allen.



# WORTHY STUDENTS ELCOMENATIONALS

ork, work, and more work. Sound like school? Nope. History Day and Mock Trial required even more work and intensity than school.

History Day involved one topic which was used to form a final presentation. Seven students from Johnston produced projects relating to the theme "Communication in History." Three of those went on to the state competition, and freshman Robin Sanders qualified for the national competition.

What is the reward for all of this work? "It requires a lot of research," commented junior Jason Cox, "but in the end it helps you out. You can always use it as your next history report."

Another academic competition involving an equal amount of

effort was Mock Trial. Students studied their witness parts and the law that went with the case for three strenuous months. Morning and afternoon practices were held, preparation being an essential part of this contest.

Junior Sam Noble enjoyed Mock Trial because it "combined many skills such as debating, acting, and thinking on your feet." Johnston must have perfected these skills because one team tried their case all the way to the national competition in Atlanta, Georgia.

There was an incredible amount of time and work put into these projects. However, plenty of academic and personal rewards were involved in each. "Receiving fourth place at nationals proved to me that all the hard work was worth it!" stated sophomore Rachel Graaf.

-Kris Tedesco & Sarah Hartle

Giving his notes a final glance, senior Justin Allen prepares to cross-examine a rival witness during Mock Trial. Allen, being a veteran Mock Trial participant, helped carry the team to Nationals.



# 12 Mock Trial, History Day

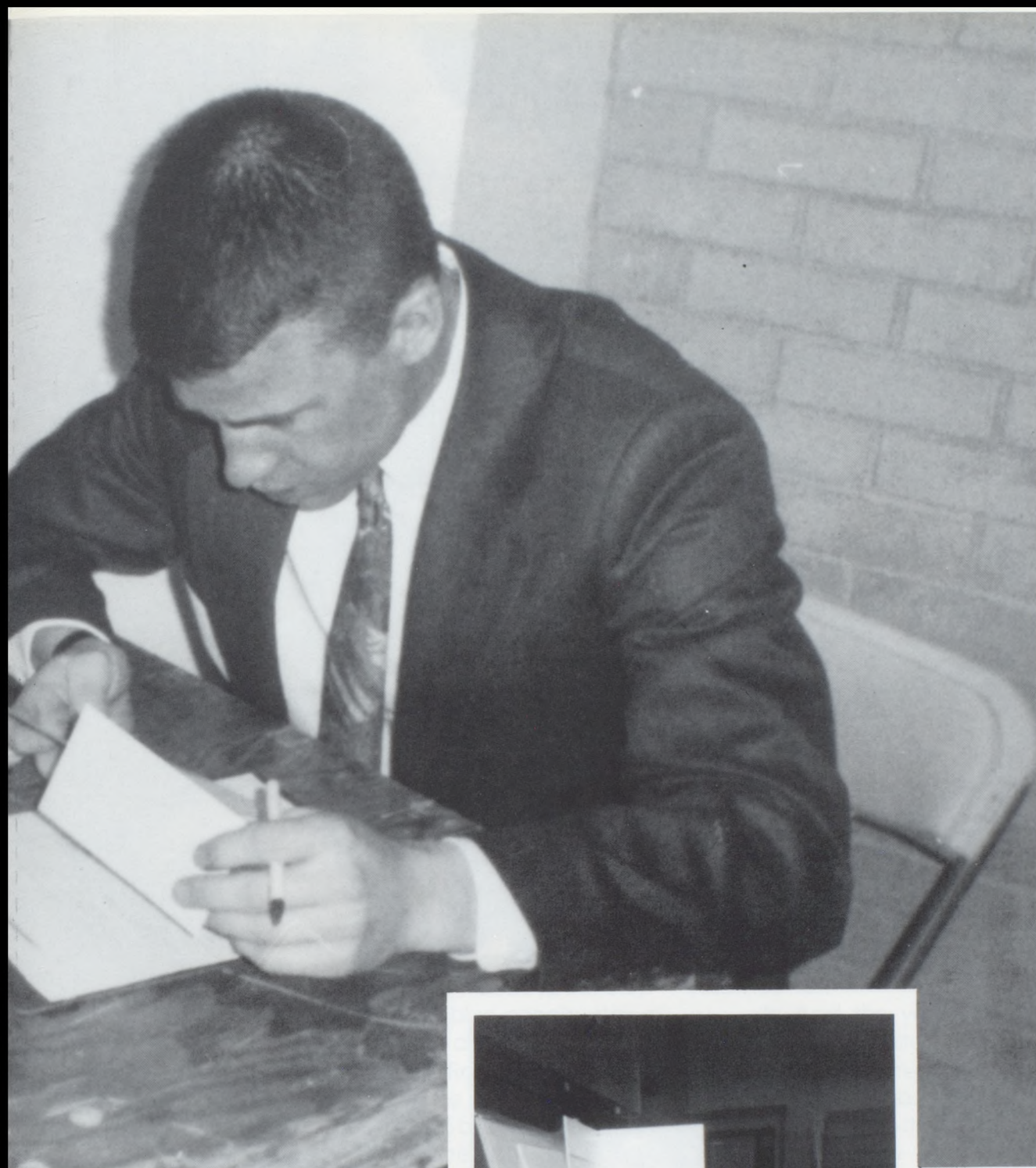


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Freshman Leanna Morris portrays a cotton-picking slave in her individual presentation at History Day. JHS sent three people to State History Day and one to Nationals.



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Freshman Marisa Hansen sets up her project on sign language for the regional History Day competition. Hansen received second place, which sent her to State.





Photo by Damon Smith

Junior Jenny Smith fits front page copy for the April Issue of JHS In Black & White. Smith played a key role as the paper's layout editor.



Photo by Kim Rulach



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Black & White staff member Michael Hulsebus chooses clip art for the upcoming issue. Many hours were spent at the Johnston Advance office using their facilities to lay out the paper.



**NEWSPAPER.** Beth Ann Nelson, Jenny Bonnetta, Tara Thieleke, Michael Hulsebus. **ROW 2.** Andrea Haag, Jenny Smith, Jennifer Morrison, Heather Henning, Sarah Rains. **ROW 3.** Matt Teizloff, Jeremy Rinehart, Jason Ranker, Kari Tank, Justin Allen, Jill Foley.

**YEARBOOK.** Sarah Campbell, Heidi Zeiger, Jennifer Jones, Joanna Stookey, Kristen DeGroat. **ROW 2.** Heidi Johns, Carol Voorhees, Jill Foley, Kim Ruisch, Shannon Smith. **ROW 3.** Kris Tedesco, Jason Benbow, Ross Anderson, David Ring. Not pictured: Sarah Hartle, Ussa Smith.



# T YING THE WORLD TOGETHER WITH WORDS

he remnants remained: empty Twizzler bags; three-lettered words permanently marked on Queenie's desk; rulers, crop-

pers and little blue pencils strewn between desks and tables. The door is locked, and Room Seven has survived one more deadline.

The two branches of journalism, newspaper and yearbook, shared the same goal of affecting the world around them with the written word, but used different methods in accomplishing it.

JHS In Black & White was distributed monthly. The paper took on a new face with different leadership. By becoming a better piece of literature with each issue, they managed to gain an IHSPA award. The

Black & White illuminated many previously shady subjects, sometimes causing controversy among staff and students. "This school needed a paper. The staff did an excellent job of providing responsible and professional journalism," said Editor-in-Chief Jason Ranker.

In April the yearbook staff made the long awaited trek to the NSPA/ JEA Journalism Convention in Long Beach, California. This was what they needed to raise their standards, after having won two national awards. "Instead of being the intimidators, they were the ones being intimidated," said Advisor Leslie Shipp.

Despite distractions such as Barbie dolls, killer sunburns and frequent talks about sex, the yearbook staff managed to finish the task of compiling the history of this year into the 154 pages you now hold.

-Kim Ruisch and Shannon Smith

Tackling the perils of journalism head-on, Editor Carol Voorhees and yearbook staff member Ross Anderson teach Ken and Barbie the language of love.



**TSA.** Marcus Leigh, Mark Stookey, Scott Fales, Nick Iwig, Derek Trobaugh, Chris Palmer, Kevin McConnell. **Row 2, NHS.** Joanna Stookey, Matt Caswell, Eryn Houle, Heather Henning, Renee Howleson, Martin Pock, Stephanie Grandia, Megan Moore. **Row 3.** Christine Lim Yao, Emily Hicks, Joe McClung, Jason Rollison, Michael Hulsebus, Marne Myers, Brian Billings, Adam Fausch. **Row 4.** Janie Jeffries, Nathan Jorgenson, Adrienne Hart, Mike Metsdag, Justin Christy, Jeff Ross.



**DRAMA CLUB.** Robin Sanders, Martin Pock, Brandon Beck, Matt Nyberg, Becky Floren, Megan Moore, Kelly Kohles, Corby Cavanaugh. **Row 2, KEY CLUB.** Marc Stookey, Kevin McConnell, Jason Cox, Teresa Lane, Joanna Stookey, Grady Tibboel, Chen Zhao, Kristen De Groat, J.P. Clark. **Row 3, FCA.** Matt Caswell, Tera Buitenwerf, Todd Swanson, Jane Zirkelbach, Danielle Carroll, Libby Felton, Bradie Knapp, Joe McClung, Pat McGowin, David Rittgers, Kim Rulisch, Alicia Rollison, Megan Bengard, Jeff Meyers, Linda Kinney, Tyler Buitenwerf, Jill Olsen, Jennifer Jones, Casey Coleman, Nick Iwig, Derek Trobaugh, Tom Caswell, Mindi Musal, Shannon McClure, Greg Olsen, Matt Sundblad. **#** Key Club. **\*** Drama Club.



# ELEVATING AND EXCITING CLUBS

Every year brings change and this year was no different, as JHS produced a certain awareness. With the addition of TSA and the Drama Club, the induction of 46 new members, and the growing successes of Key Club and FCA, the organizations showed definite development.

One such club was the National Honor Society, which was committed to recognizing and creating leaders to help in the community. "In downtown Des Moines we helped build low-income housing with Habitat for Humanity," said senior Jason Veeder.

A second group new to JHS was the Technology Student's Association. Freshman Kevin McConnell stated, "We create inventions, draw

blueprints and, build ideas."

Another new club was the Drama Club. Sophomore Emily Gelemino said, "We sponsored the school play, and a workshop was made available. But, being a new club, we still have a long way to go."

Key Club came a long way by growing and becoming more active at JHS and in Johnston. "With the Kiwanas, we've volunteered at Bishop Drumm, had a car wash, and sold t-shirts," said sophomore Julie Cottrell.

Another important club was the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. "Often, we have speakers who talk about topics high schoolers deal with," said senior president Jill Olsen.

With so many leaders pushing to better themselves and Johnston, the clubs at JHS had the final say.

-Carol Voorhees



Photo by Marc Stookey

In the RC Vehicle Construction Contest in Sac City, freshman Scott Fales diligently works while his chaperone, Tim Paws, inspects. Fales placed second in this event and also placed third in the Aerospace Glider event.





Photo by Kristin DeGroot



Photo by Jennifer Jones



Mimicking the old woman in the Landrum Home for Elderly Ladies is "Al" the housekeeper, a.k.a. sophomore Lee Fillingsness. The Drama Club put on the play Capricious Pearls in December after tedious early morning practices.

Playing a pancake-like acquaintance game at FCA, are junior Shannon McClure, senior Jill Olsen, and sophomore Matt Sundblad. Contrary to popular belief FCA was for everyone not just athletes or Christians.



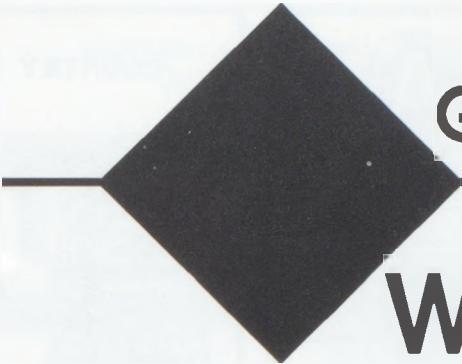
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Hy-Vee Bakery is the hot spot for many JHS students for a quick breakfast. Heidi Zeiger makes her choice for the most important meal of the day.







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*-Kim Ruisch*

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Admission



Junior Jason Ranker enjoys his Cold Cut Combo at Subway on Merle Hay Road, where many JHS students spent their open lunch.

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your life. Don't  
believe it. The  
best is yet to  
come. You are  
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your future be  
full of  
happiness.

Love,  
Mom  
and Dad



Tiffany Zortman

Tiffany,  
Thanks  
for always  
being here for  
me and always  
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me! Good luck  
with everything.  
I'll miss you!

Love ya  
always,  
Heather



Todd Swanson

Todd,  
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us love, laughter  
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you bless the world  
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Love,  
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Our love to you,  
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you move into  
the next  
chapter of your  
life.

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Dad,  
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THINK, BELIEVE,  
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Dear Tom,  
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Justin Allen

Always a champion in our eyes! Best of luck, sunshine.

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Linda Kinney

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"Reading was always my favorite pastime!"



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Amy Tomenga

Never forget the  
seven rules and  
always keep  
smiling.  
Love,  
Mom  
and  
Dad



Andrea Adams

You are the  
sunshine in my  
life and a great  
inspiration. I'm  
proud you are  
my daughter.

Congratulations!  
Mom



Joanna Stoekey

You are all we  
could want in a  
daughter. We  
are so proud of  
you! HAVE FUN  
at Iowa State.  
Mom  
and  
Dad



Janie Jeffries

Janie,  
We wish  
for you all the  
joy and  
happiness that  
you have  
brought us.  
Congratulations  
from your family  
that loves you  
very much.



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Steven Ray Allen: Basketball 9; Soccer 10  
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Southavone S. Baccam: Basketball 9; Football 12; Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12; Track 10, 12; Wrestling 10; Spanish Quiz Bowl 11, 12  
Joseph Craig Barnard: Football Manager 9, 10, 11, 12; Wrestling Manager 9; Honor Roll 10, 11; Student of the Month 9, 10; Leadership Retreat 9, 10, 12; SADD 9, 10, 11, 12; SAIL 10, 11, 12; TLC 9, 10, 11, 12; Concert Choir 9, 10, 11, 12; Innovation 11, 12; School Play 9, 10, 12; Sound Advice 9, 10; Sr. High Chorus 9, 10, 11, 12; Governor's Youth Conference 11, 12; Chorus Trip 9, 10  
Bradley M. Beaman: Football 9, 10, 11, Captain 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Wrestling 9, 10, 11, Captain 12; Honor Roll 11; Concert Band 9; Marching Band 9; Homecoming Attendant 12  
Greg Robert Beck: Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 9; Football 9, 10, 11, 12; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Spanish Quiz Bowl 10, 11; Spanish Club 9, 10, 11, 12  
Brian Lee Billings: Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12; Swimming 9; Junior/Senior Board 12; Leadership Retreat 11; National Honor Society 11, 12  
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Mimi Michelle Bobst: Basketball 9, 10, 11, Co-Captain 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Volleyball 9, 10, 11, 12  
Angie C. Brown: Honor Roll 12  
Tera Buitenwerf: Basketball 9, 10, 11; Cross Country 9; Basketball Manager 12; Softball 9, 10, 11, 12; Track 10; Honor Roll 9; FCA 11, 12; French Club 9, 10, 11; Leadership Retreat 10; TLC 11, 12; Colorguard 11, 12; Concert Band 9, 10; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12  
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Sergio Alejandro Casares: Basketball 9; Football 12; Soccer 12; Tennis 9, 12; Handball 9, 10, 11; Spanish Quiz Bowl Judge 12; Leadership Retreat 12  
Matthew William Caswell: Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12; Football 9, 10, 11, 12; Track 9, 10, 11; Academic Decathlon 9; Academic Team 9; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; FCA 9, 10, 11, 12; Key Club 9, 10, 11, 12; President 12; Leadership Retreat 10; Mock Trial 9; National Honor Society 11, 12; Prom Committee 10; SADD 9, 10, 11; TLC 10, 11; Concert Choir 10, 11, 12; Innovation 11, 12; Sound Advice 9, 10; Sr. High Chorus 9, 10, 11, 12  
Corbette Joe Cavanaugh: Basketball 9, 10; Softball Manager 10; Volleyball 12; Softball 9, 10, 11, 12; Tennis 9; Volleyball 9, 10, 11; Academic Decathlon 11, 12; Academic Team 11, 12; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Teaching Assistant 12; Drama Club 12; National Honor Society 11, 12; SADD 9, 10, 11, 12; TLC 9, 10, 11, 12; Concert Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12; School Play 9, 10, 11, 12; Sr. High Chorus 9, 10, 11, 12



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**Justin Matthew Christy:** Baseball 9; Academic Letter 9, 10; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11; National Honor Society 11, 12; Concert Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Concert Choir 10, 11, 12; Innovation 11, 12; Jazz Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Sound Advice 9, 10; Sr. High Chorus 9, 10, 11, 12.

**Robert Arthur Coons:** Wrestling 9, 10; Concert Band 9, 10; Marching Band 9, 10.

**Brian Thomas Craig:** Baseball 9; Basketball 9, 10, 11; Football 9, 10, 11; Track 9; Key Club 9; Leadership Retreat 10, 11.

**Joseph Michael Davis:** Drake Young Writers' Conference 10.

**Kristen Ann De Groat:** Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Drama Club 12; French Club 9, 10, 11; Key Club 12; Leadership Retreat 10; Mock Trial 9, 10, 11, 12; SADD 10, 11; TLC 10, 11; Yearbook 10, Academic Editor 11, Chief Director of Photography 12; Colorguard 10, 11, 12; Concert Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12; School Play 9, 10, 11; Director 12; Sr. High Chorus 10, 11, 12; Drake Young Writers' Conference 11, 12.

**Joshua Legolas Jess Doster:** Honor Roll 11, 12; Colloquial Group 11, 12.

**Jennifer Suzanne Duckworth:** Basketball 10, 11; Football Cheerleader 9, 11, 12; Basketball Cheerleader 12; Competition Squad 10, 11; Cross Country 9, 10; Pom Squad 10, 11, 12; Softball 9, 10, 11, 12; Track 9, 10; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Teaching Assistant 11; Leadership Retreat 10, 11; Homecoming Attendant 9, 12.

**Adam Charles Fausch:** Baseball 9; Cross Country 9, 10, 11; Swimming 10, 11; Captain 12; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Academic Team 9; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Student of the Month 9, 10; French Club 9, 10; National Honor Society 11, 12; Spanish Club 11, 12.

**Elizabeth Tarah Felton:** Football Cheerleader 9, 11, 12; Wrestling Cheerleader 9; Track Manager 10, 11, 12; Pom Squad 10, 11, 12; Tennis 9; Honor Roll 10, 12; FCA 11, 12; Key Club 11; Leadership Retreat 10, 11, 12; Prom Committee 12; SAIL 12; TLC 10, 11, 12; School Play 10, 12; Governor's Youth Conference 11.

**Kathleen Galloway:** Basketball Cheerleader 9; Track Manager 12; Track 10, 11; Drama Club 12; Key Club 11; Leadership Retreat 11, 12; SADD 11; TLC 11, 12; School Play 10, 11, 12.

**Cheri Renee Gilroy:** Basketball 9; Football Cheerleader Captain 11; Wrestling Manager 10; Softball 9, 10, 11, 12; Honor Roll 9; SADD 10, 11; Spanish Club 9, 10, 11; Sr. High Chorus 9, 11; FHA 9, 10, 11; Letter Club 9, 10, 11; Vocal Competition 9, 10.

**Stephanie Rae Grandia:** Softball 9, 11, 12; Track 9; Volleyball 9, 10, 11, 12; Academic Letter 9, 10, 11; Academic Team 9, 10, 11; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Student of the Month 12; FCA 11, 12; Leadership Retreat 12; Mock Trial 9; National Honor Society 11, 12; Student Council 9, 11, 12; TLC 11; Concert Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Concert Choir 11, 12; Innovation 10, 11, 12; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Sound Advice 9; Sr. High Chorus 9, 10, 11; Treasurer 12; United Nations Trip 11.

**Chris Hanner:** Honor Roll 11, 12; Student of the Month 11.

**Andrew Michael Hanshaw:** Football 9, 10, 11; Soccer 9, 10, 11; Track 9.

**Adrienne Jane Hart:** Basketball 9, 10; Academic Letter 10; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Teaching Assistant 12; Leadership Retreat 10; National Honor Society 11, 12; Concert Band 9, 10; Marching Band 9, 10; Band Trip 10.

**Sarah Zuzanna Hartle:** Basketball 9, 10, 11; Football Cheerleader 9; Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Volleyball 9, 10, 11, 12; Academic Letter 10, 11; Academic Team 9, 10, 11, 12; History Day 9, 10, 11, 12; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Speech Contest 10, 11; Colloquial Group 12; FCA 9; Leadership Retreat 10; Mock Trial 9, 10, 11, 12; National Honor Society Treasurer 12; Student Council 9; President 12; TLC 9, 10; Yearbook 10, 11, 12; Concert Band 9; School Play 11; Sr. High Chorus 9; Governor's Youth Conference 9.

**Jeremy William Heinen:** Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 9, 10, 11; Captain 12; Football 9, 10, 11; Captain 12; Track 9, 10, 11; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Spanish Quiz Bowl 9, 10; FCA 12; Leadership Retreat 10, 11, 12; SAIL 11, 12; Concert Choir 9; Sound Advice 9; Sr. High Chorus 9.

**Heather Kay Henning:** Basketball 10; Golf 9, 10, 11; Captain 12; Softball 9, 10; Volleyball 9, 10, 11, 12; Academic Letter 9, 10, 12; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12;

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 Homecoming Attendant 9; Spain Trip 11.

Emily Renee Hicks: Basketball 9; Pom Squad 11, 12;  
 Tennis 10, 11, 12; Volleyball 9, 10, 11, Co-Captain 12;  
 Academic Letter 9, 10; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Student  
 of the Month 10; French Club 9; Key Club Treasurer 11,  
 12; National Honor Society 11, 12; Prom Committee  
 12; SAIL 11, 12; TLC 10; Student Mentor President 11, 12;  
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Morgan L. Holcomb: Wrestling Cheerleader 9, 10;  
 Track 9, 10, 11, 12; Volleyball 9, 10, 11, Captain 12;  
 Academic Letter 9, 10, 11; Academic Team 9, 10, 11,  
 12; History Team 10, 11; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Student  
 of the Month 9; Teaching Assistant 9; Junior/Senior  
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 Society Vice President 12; Student Council Vice  
 President 10; Yearbook 10; Homecoming Attendant  
 11, 12.

Ryan Lee Horn: Bowling 9, 10; Football 12; Swimming  
 12; Tennis 9; Track 10; Wrestling 9, 10, 11; Teaching  
 Assistant 12; Sound Advice 11; Sr. High Chorus 9, 10, 11.  
 Nathan M. Hornback: Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12;  
 Basketball 9; Bowling 11, Captain 12; Leadership  
 Retreat 9; Mock Trial 9.

Eryn Elaine Houle: Softball 9; Academic Decathlon  
 11, 12; Academic Letter 9; Academic Team 9, 10, 11,  
 12; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Spanish Quiz Bowl 9; Key  
 Club 12; Leadership Retreat 10; Mock Trial 9; National  
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 Conference 10, 11.

Renee Helen Howieson: Softball 9; Academic Letter  
 10; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; French Club 9, 10, 11;  
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Michael D. Hulsebus: Golf 9, 10; Academic  
 Decathlon 11, 12; Academic Team 11, 12; Honor Roll  
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 12; Newspaper 12; SADD 12.

Amy Lynn Hunt: Softball 9; Academic Letter 9, 10, 12;  
 Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Spanish Quiz Bowl 9; Student  
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 Innovation 11, 12; Sound Advice 9, 10; Sr. High Chorus  
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Janie Marie Jeffries: Basketball 9, 10, 11; Pom Squad  
 12; Softball 9, 10, 11, 12; Track 10; Volleyball 9, 10, 11,  
 Tri-Captain 12; Academic Letter 10; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11,  
 12; FCA 9, 10; Key Club 11, Treasurer 12; Leadership  
 Retreat 11; National Honor Society 11, 12; German  
 Club 10; Sr. High Chorus 9, 10.

Jeffery L. Johns: Football 9, 10, 11.

Todd James Edward Johnson: Baseball 9; Football 9,  
 10, 11, 12; Golf 9, 10, 11, 12; Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12; Honor  
 Roll 9, 10; Spanish Quiz Bowl 10; Leadership Retreat  
 10; Homecoming Attendant 10; Hockey Trip 12.

Tracy Lynn Kane: Spanish Quiz Bowl 9; Teaching  
 Assistant 12; Leadership Retreat 12; Prom Committee  
 12; Spanish Saturday Immersion 12.

Kory Kilbourne: Baseball 9, 10; Football 9, 10, 11; Golf  
 9; Track 10; Wrestling 9; Academic Letter 9; Honor Roll  
 9, 10, 11; FCA 9, 10, 11; National Honor Society 11, 12;  
 Concert Choir 11, 12; Innovation 11, 12; Sound Advice  
 9, 10.

Linda K. Kinney: Basketball 9, 10; Football  
 Cheerleader 9, 11, Co-Captain 12; Basketball  
 Cheerleader Captain 12; Pom Squad 10, Co-  
 Captain 11, Captain 12; Softball 9; Track 9; Honor Roll  
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 Retreat 10, 11, 12; National Honor Society 11, 12; Prom  
 Committee 12; SADD 11; SAIL 11, 12; Spanish Club 9, 10,  
 11, 12; Student Council 11; TLC 9, 10, 11, 12; Governor's  
 Youth Conference 10; Cheerleading Trip 11, 12; All-  
 State Honor Drill Team 11, 12.

Tyler Edwin Knox: Golf 10; Soccer 11, 12; Wrestling 9, 10;  
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**Melissa Kuchel:** Key Club 10, 12; School Play 9, 10, 11; Sr. High Chorus 10, 11, 12; Drake Young Writers' Conference 12.

**Scott Kurtz:** Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 9, 10, 11, Captain 12; Football 9, 10, All-Conference 11, All-District 12; Track 9, 10, 11; Honor Roll 9, 12; FCA 11; Leadership Retreat 10, 11, 12; SAIL 11, 12; Homecoming Attendant 11.

**Shannon Langworthy:** Sr. High Chorus 9, 10; Homecoming Committee 9.

**Jamey Joe Layman:** Baseball 9, 10; Basketball 9, 10; Brian Michael Lee: Baseball 9, 10; Basketball 9, 10; Cross Country 10, 12; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; French Club 9, 10, 11; Key Club 11; Leadership Retreat 10; TLC 11; Marching Band 9; Sound Advice 9; Sr. High Chorus 9, 10, 11; Europe Trip 10.

**Christine Lim Yoo:** Pom Squad 11, 12; Volleyball 10; Academic Letter 9, 10; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Junior/Senior Board 11, 12; Key Club 11; Leadership Retreat 10, 11, 12; National Honor Roll 12; Prom Committee 12; SADD 10, 11; SAIL 11, 12; Spanish Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Yearbook 10, 11, 12; Governor's Youth Conference 10.

**Diana Elizabeth Unnehan:** Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Student of the Month 11; Newspaper 9; Concert Choir 12; Sr. High Chorus 9, 10, 11, 12.

**Jamie Renay Lowe:** Academic Decathlon 11; Academic Letter 9, 10, 11, 12; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Prom Committee 11; Concert Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12.

**Shawn Paul Mahoney:** Football 9, 10, 11, 12; Soccer 11; Wrestling 9, 10, 11, 12; Student of the Month 11.

**Aaron Daniel May:** Academic Letter 9; Academic Team 9; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12.

**Kristina Rae McMullen:** Basketball 10; Wrestling Cheerleader 9; Tennis 9, 10, 11, 12; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; French Club 9, 10, 11; National Honor Society 11, 12; Colorguard 11, 12; Concert Band 9, 10; Marching Band 9, 10.

**Thomas Robert Miller:** Basketball 9, 10, 12; Cross Country 9, 10; Golf 9, 10, 11, 12; Soccer 9, 10; Colloquial Group 11; Junior/Senior Board 12; Key Club 9, 10; Leadership Retreat 10, 12; SAIL 12; TLC 10, 11, 12; Governor's Youth Conference 12; Art Trip 12.

**Kodi Anne Mollendor:** Honor Roll 10, 12.

**Michael Gregory Moon:** Football 11, 12; Golf 10, 11; Wrestling 11, 12; Leadership Retreat 11; Newspaper 11.

**Christina Moreno:** Tennis 9, 10, 11, 12; Volleyball 9, 10, 11, 12.

**Staci Lynne Morrison:** Teaching Assistant 12; Leadership Retreat 10.

**Matthew Steven Mullenix:** Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 9, 10; Cross Country 9, 10, 11, Captain 12; Tennis 9, 10, 11, Captain 12; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Student of the Month 9; National Honor Society 11, 12; Spanish Club 11.

**Melinda Musal:** Football Cheerleader 9; Basketball Cheerleader 9; Tennis 9, 12; Academic Letter 10; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; FCA 12; French Club 9, 10; Leadership Retreat 11, 12; Prom Committee 12; SAIL 12; TLC 9, 10, 11, 12; Concert Choir 10, 11, 12; Innovation 11, 12; School Play 10, 11, 12; Sound Advice 10; Sr. High Chorus 9, 10, 11, 12; Chorus Trip 10.

**Marne Marie Myers:** Academic Letter 9, 10; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; French Club 9, 10, 11; Leadership Retreat 10; National Honor Society 11, 12; SADD 10, 12; TLC 10, 11, 12; Concert Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Concert Choir 10, 11, 12; Innovation 11, 12; Jazz Band 11, 12; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Sound Advice 9, 10; Sr. High Chorus 9, 10, 11, 12.

**Sherri Marie Nelsen:** Honor Roll 12.

**Daniel Raymond Newell:** Basketball 9, 10; Cross Country 9, 10, 11; Golf 11, 12; Soccer 9; Academic Letter 10; Honor Roll 9, 10; Student of the Month 9; Leadership Retreat 10; SADD 10; TLC 10.

**Bridget Elizabeth Nichols:** Softball 9, 10; Track 10; Honor Roll 9, 10, 12; French Club 9, 10, 11; Leadership Retreat 10, 12; Prom Committee 10, 12; SAIL 12; TLC 10, 11, 12; Concert Choir 10, 11, 12; Innovation 11, 12; Sound Advice 9, 10; Sr. High Chorus 9, 10, 11, 12.

**Michael John Nicodemus:** Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 9; Football 12; Track 11, 12; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Leadership Retreat 10, 11; Student Council 9.

**Tara Lynn Oiler:** Basketball 9, 10, 11; Golf 12; Softball 9, 10, 11; Track 9, 10, 11; Volleyball 9, 10, 11, 12; Academic Letter 9, 10, 11; Academic Team 9, 10; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Student of the Month 11; Leadership Retreat 10, 12; Mock Trial 9; National Honor Society 11, 12; SAIL 12; Colorguard 9, 10, 11, 12; Concert Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Jazz Band 10, 11, 12; Sound Advice 11, 12; Sr. High Chorus 9, 10; United Nations Trip 11.

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Jake Clayton Oldham: Baseball 9, 10; Basketball 9, 10; Cross Country 9; Football 10, 11, 12; Track 9, 10, 11; Leadership Retreat 11; Concert Choir 9, 10; Sound Advice 9; Sr. High Chorus 9, 10.  
Jill Courtney Olsen: Basketball 9; Basketball Manager 10, 11, 12; Track Manager 10, 11, 12; Honor Roll 9; Student of the Month 10, 11; Drama Club 9; FCA 11, 12; Key Club 11; Leadership Retreat 10, 11, 12; SADD 10, 11, 12; SAIL 10, 11; Student Council 12; TLC 10, 11, 12; All-State Band 9; Concert Band 9; Concert Choir 9, 11, 12; Innovation 11, 12; Marching Band 9; School Play 10, 11, 12; Sr. High Chorus 10, 11, 12; Chorus Trip 10; Governor's Youth Conference 12; United Nations Trip 11.  
Jason Pace: Basketball 9, 10; Track 10; Honor Roll 9, 10; Student of the Month 11; Colloquial Group 11, 12; Drake Young Writers' Conference 12.  
Tricia Ann Perkins: Honor Roll 10, 11, 12; Spanish Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Homecoming Committee 9.  
Rebecca Jean Perry: Softball 9, 12; Volleyball 10, 11, 12; Teaching Assistant 12; Spanish Club 9, 10, 11; TLC 9, 10, 11; Chorus Trip 10.  
Martin Lowen Poock: Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Teaching Assistant 12; Drama Club President 12; Leadership Retreat 11, 12; National Honor Society 11, 12; All-State Chorus 11, 12; Concert Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Concert Choir 9, 10, 11, 12; Innovation 9, 10, 11, 12; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12; School Play 9, 10, Student Director 11, 12; Sr. High Chorus 9, 10, 11, 12.  
James Troy Proehl: Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 9; Golf 10; Concert Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12.  
Justin L. Reis: Cross Country 9; Volleyball 10, 11, 12; History Team 11; Teaching Assistant 11, 12.  
Marta Rekalde de la Torre: Swimming 10; Honor Roll 12; Spanish Quiz Bowl 12; Leadership Retreat 12; Spanish Club 12; Concert Choir 11; Sr. High Chorus 12.  
David Michael Ring: Volleyball Manager 11, 12; Volleyball 9, 10, Co-Captain 11, 12; Academic Letter 9, 10, 11; Academic Team 9, 10; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Student of the Month 9; French Club 9, 10, 11; Leadership Retreat 10; National Honor Society 11, 12; Yearbook 10, 11, 12.  
Paul William Roarick: Baseball 9, 10; Basketball 9, 10, 11, Captain 12; Football 9, 10, 11; Track 9; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; FCA 12; Leadership Retreat 10; Spanish Club 9, 10, 11; TLC 12.  
David Rodriguez Stracchia: Baseball 12; Basketball 10; Bowling 12; Spanish Quiz Bowl Judge 12; Leadership Retreat 12; Sr. High Chorus 12; Homecoming Attendant 12.  
Jason Tyrone Rollison: Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12; Football 9, 10, 11, Captain 12; Track 9, 11; Wrestling 9, 10, 11, Captain 12; Academic Letter 9, 10; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Leadership Retreat 10, 11, 12; National Honor Society Secretary 12; SAIL 11, 12; Homecoming Attendant 12; MORP Representative 11.  
Jeffrey J. Ross: Baseball 9, 10; Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12; Football 9, 10; Golf 9; Track 10, 11, 12; Academic Letter 10; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; French Club 9, 10, 11; Leadership Retreat 11; National Honor Society 11, 12; Concert Band 9, 10; Marching Band 9, 10; Band Trip 10.  
Amy Sacco: Basketball 9, 10; Golf 9, 10, 11, 12; Soccer 9, 10; Student of the Month 10.  
Brendan Gill Sapienza: Track 9, 10; Academic Letter 9, 10, 11, 12; Academic Team 11, 12; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; Student of the Month 12; Leadership Retreat 11, 12; Mock Trial 9, 10; National Honor Society 11, Project Chairperson 12; TLC Executive Board 12; All-State Chorus 11, 12; Concert Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Concert Choir 10, 11, 12; Innovation 10, 11, 12; Jazz Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, Field Conductor 12; Sound Advice 9; Sr. High Chorus 9, 10, 11, President 12.  
Daniel Seles: Football 12.  
Karl Lynn Shaler: Basketball 10, 11; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12.  
Lukas James Smart: Football 9, 10, 11, Captain 12; Track 9, 11; Wrestling 9, 10, 11, 12; Leadership Retreat 10.  
Lance Kelsey Smith: Basketball 9; Volleyball Manager 11, 12; Track 9, 10; Volleyball 10, Co-Captain 11, 12; Wrestling 10; Spanish Quiz Bowl 10; Key Club 9, 10; Concert Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Jazz Band 10, 11; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Spain Trip 11.  
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**Lauren Joseph Stale:** Colloquial Group 9, 10, 11, 12; FCA 9, 11; Leadership Retreat 12; TLC 9, 11; School Play 9, 10, 11; Art Trip 10, 11, 12.

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**Paul Allen Stover:** Golf 9, 10, 11, 12; Swimming 11, 12; Academic Letter 9, 10; Honor Roll 9, 10, 11, 12; French Club 9, 10, 11; National Honor Society 11, 12.

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It is possible to sit back and watch the seemingly endless words go by in life. But after seeing JHS, one would hardly think it imaginable. Just as a dictionary would not be whole without all the words, the school could not exist without each individual.

Reminiscing about this past year, one could envision all the good times he/she had experienced as well as the times that weren't all too pleasant. In times such as those it was helpful to have so many friends to whom you could turn; and, for some, those unhappy times may have turned to good memories as one realized who his/her true friends were.

From placing second in state by the boys' club volleyball team to placing fourth at the national mock trial competition, Johnston had the last word in many events in which it participated. It has left a distinctive mark in Iowa and even nationwide.

Combining the friends made and the achievements accomplished, one has a year full of fun and excitement. It's hard to think that it had to come to an end. All good things must end, however, and this year is no exception.

As the last student closed the last book, and the last locker was slammed shut, the year did come to an end. The halls emptied as the students left one by one after the last test, and the last blank filled by **THE LAST WORD**.

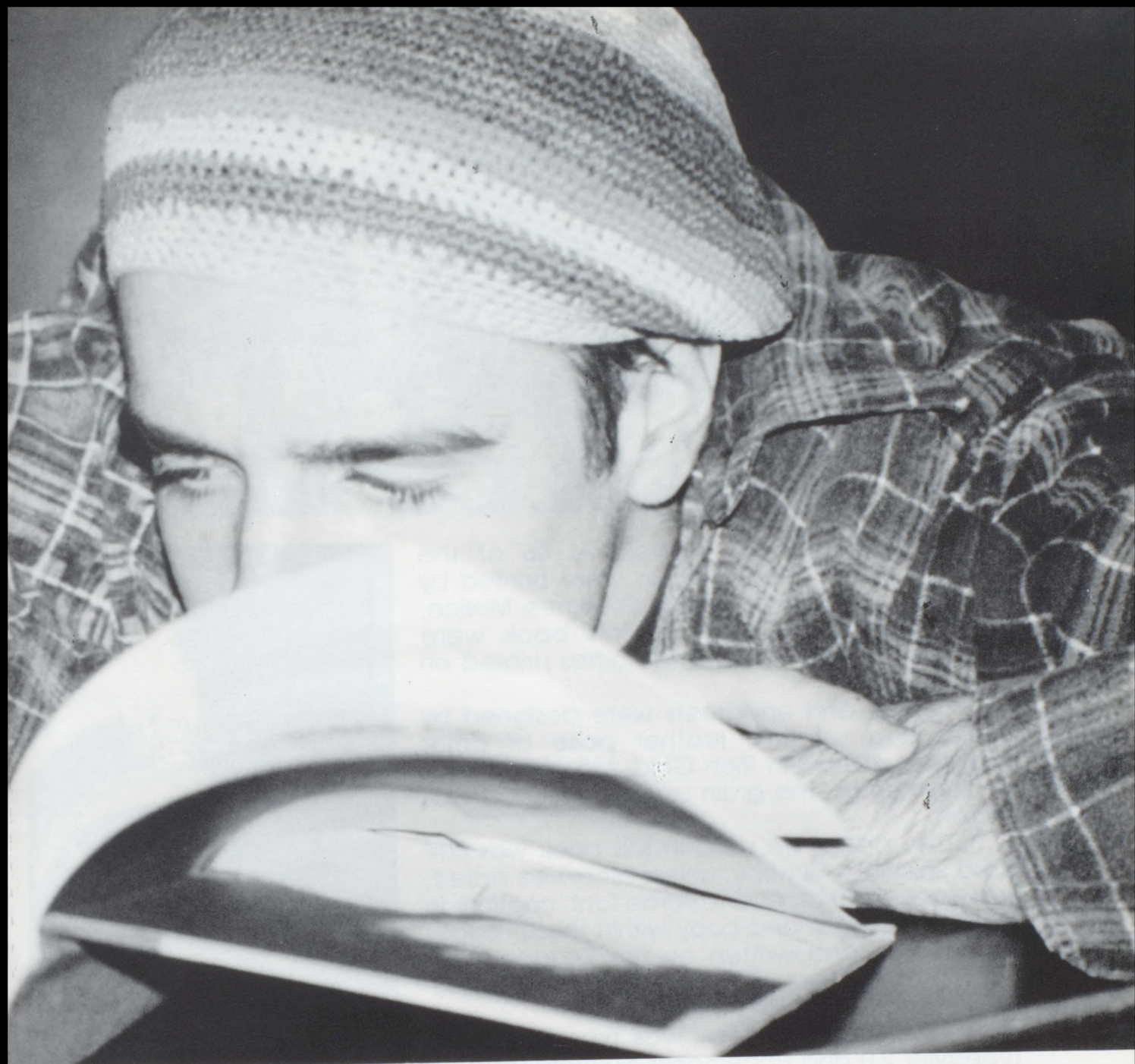
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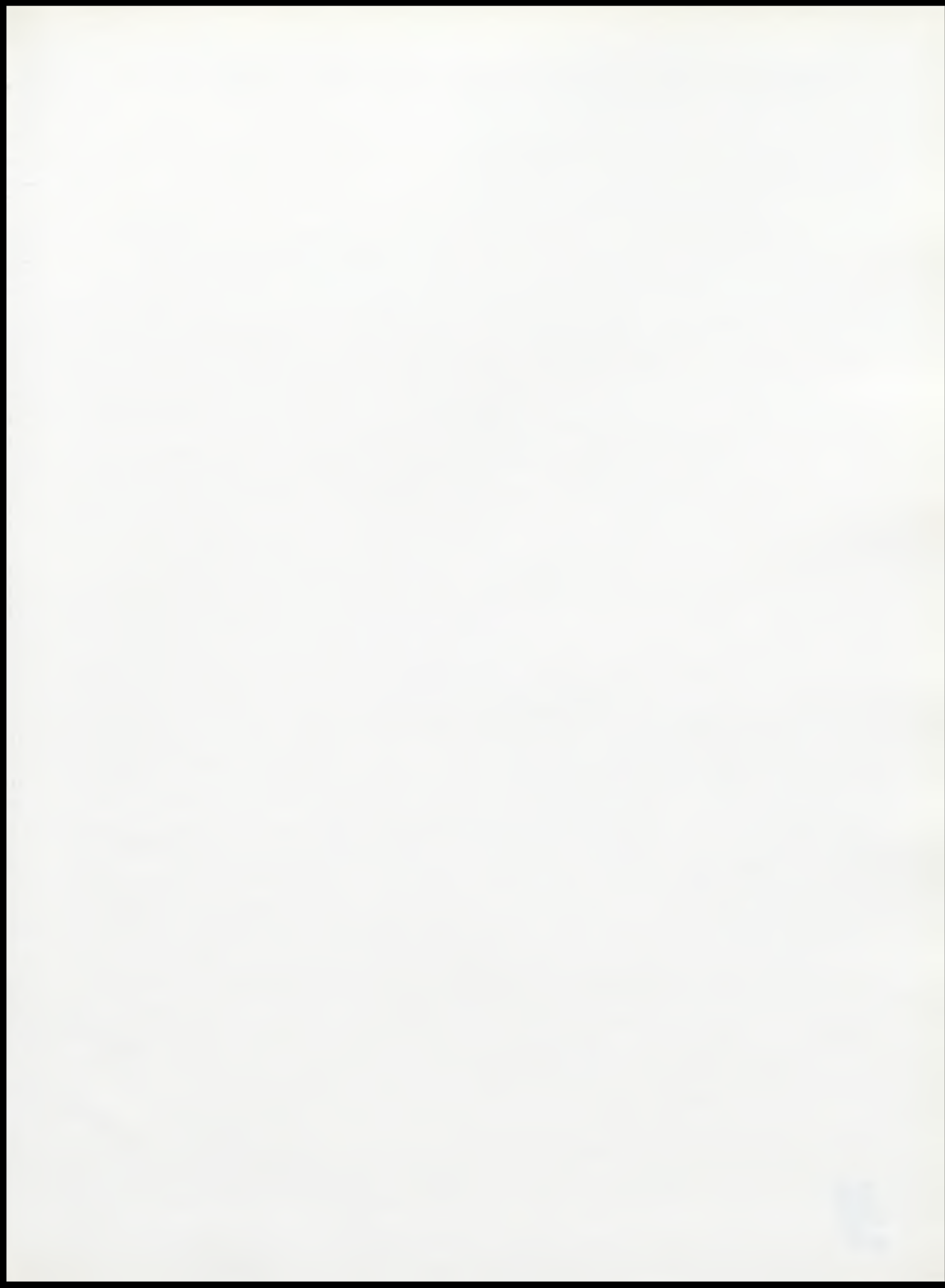




















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